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The threatened Italian invasion of Albania began yesterday, and out of dozens of contradictory messages received the fact emerges that another independent country is disappearing from the map of Europe.

Albanian troops apparently offered resistance, in spite of the overwhelming Italian superiority in the air, on land and on sea.

Four hundred aeroplanes participated in the attack, the infantry operations being carried out by 100,000 men, while 170 warships have been concentrated off the Albanian coast.

The Albanian ports of Durazzo and Giovanni di Medusa are reported to have been completely destroyed after a ruthless Italian sea and air bombardment.

Albania demanded assistance from Yugo-Slavia, but this was refused by Belgrade. A radio broadcast from Tirana appeals to France not to allow the disappearance of Albania.

Germany has fully approved the aggression of her Axis partner, while Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, has given the Earl of Perth, British Ambassador in Rome, the Italian "explanation" for the attack on an independent country.

Germany has also issued a statement conveying a veiled warning to the Western Democracies not to interfere with Italy's action.

ROME ANNOUNCEMENT
First indication that the attack had already started came from Rome, where an official

QUEEN
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CROSS BORDER

QUEEN Geraldine and baby Zog of Albania, are reported to have crossed the frontier into Greece with an infant baby for safety.—Cont.

YUGO-SLAVIA REFUSES TO AID

Belgrade, To-day.
It is learned that Albania demanded assistance of Yugo-Slavia but Yugo-Slavia refused the demands "in view of the treaty of friendship existing between Italy and Yugo-Slavia."—Reuter.

LORD PERTH'S CALL ON CIANO

Rome, To-day.
An official communiqué states that when Lord Perth, the British Ambassador, saw Count Ciano, the Italian Foreign Minister, the latter gave him full "explanations and the necessary assurances."—Reuter.

Rome, To-day.
When the British Ambassador called on Count Ciano he enquired into the events in Albania as regards the effect on the status quo in the Mediterranean.—Reuter.

TWO TOWNS DESTROYED IN BOMBARDMENT

Belgrade, To-day.
The Tirana radio announces that all Albanian diplomatic representatives have been telegraphically instructed to inform the governments to which they are accredited of the Italian aggression.

It contradicts the Italian allegation that Italians in Albania have been attacked, and states that Durazzo, San Giovanni and di Medusa were completely destroyed by Italian air and sea bombardment.

It confirmed that the Albanian Minister in Belgrade informed the Yugo-Slav Government of developments, but it added that there is no Yugo-Slav-Albanian agreement which would justify Albania calling for Yugo-Slav aid.

The Yugo-Slav Government is keeping in contact with the Italian Government, and is hoping the conflict will end in a rapid solution that will take into account the interests of all three countries.—Reuter.

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Beauty and You

by PATRICIA LINDSAY

Egg Yolk Rinse Keeps Blonde Hair Light

Into my hands has fallen a charming little English book by Jane Gordon who writes so convincingly about the merits of egg yolk rinses and shampoos that I shall quote her exactly.

RINSE FOR BLONDE HAIR

"If you want to keep your hair particularly soft and shiny, or if you are a blonde, a yolk of egg rinse added to a thorough bland soap shampoo, is the best way of keeping your hair light.

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large cup of water, and after the last rinsing with cool water in your regular shampoo, the yolk of egg mixture is poured over the hair and rubbed in well in the same way as the soap would be. It is then rinsed out thoroughly, ending with a distilled-water rinsing.

YOLK OF EGG SHAMPOO FOR FALLING HAIR

"A course of yolk of egg shampoos is extraordinarily good for hair that is looking faded or has suddenly for no apparent reason started to fall unduly. Six shampoos are needed.

You start with the ordinary shampoo of bland liquid soap followed by the egg rinse described above.

Three days afterwards you give yourself a yolk of egg shampoo without soap. The yolks only of two fresh eggs are beaten in a large cupful of water. The hair is parted and the egg brushed into the parting, using a long handled nail brush dipped into the egg mixture.

The hair is then parted an inch farther up and the brushing repeated, until the entire scalp has been covered. The yolk of another egg lightly beaten in a large cup of water is poured over the head and massaged in thoroughly, the hair being then rinsed with five or six rinsing waters, ending up with a cool or cold rinse. The hair is then partly dried with a towel, massaged for five minutes and brushed dry. This shampoo is repeated twice

Witty Kitty



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a week until six egg shampoos have been given. They are particularly good for the hair because they clean the scalp without drying the hair, which soap is bound to do to a certain extent.

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birthday, the whole tenor of your life may be influenced by a great and abiding love. You have most likely a very logical and analytical mind. You ought to cultivate the habit of reading, for from books you might derive much pleasure, have a fondness for vivid colours. You ought to be decidedly artistic, useful information and practical ideas that you could use promptly, and probably antiquated. You might find very congenial work as a publicity agent, artist, buyer, journalist, milliner, specialty shop manager, sales agent or actress. Your judgment in the selection of a husband is not likely to be questioned, nor regretted by you.

The child born on April 8 possibly will be quick-tempered and very sympathetic; ambitious, but not extremely studious, and witty, but not sarcastic. Lady Luck is likely to contribute liberally in the way of giving this youngster many remarkable opportunities to make a big success.

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

This will be a poor day for displaying any kind of affectation, for it probably will rub your friends the wrong way. It is advisable to avoid giving wishy-washy handshakes, the firmness of your grip might be judged as an indication of your character. Many of the introductions to strangers this day are apt to pave the way for some future opportunity to win a worthwhile friend or to gain some busi-

ness advantage. Avoid dealing in personalities, even in fun this day, for there is danger of your offending someone whose friendship is worthwhile. Mental gymnastics, especially with figures, will cause a great deal of confusion, as erroneous conceptions may lead to an almost endless chain of misstatements. It might be important for you to make a quick decision this day, but it will be good judgment to think twice before you say anything. Married and engaged couples, as well as those whose love is appreciated and reciprocated, will be wise to refrain from expressing impatience, if they wish to keep out of a squabble.

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Burgos, To-day.
The Spanish Nationalist Government emphatically denies rumours of the arrival of fresh Italian troops at Cadiz.

It is stated that the departure of the present Italian forces is expected to take place very soon after the final entry into Madrid of Hitler. — Reuter.

CONFERENCE AT WILHELMSTRASSE

Berlin, To-day.
A conference, presumably over the Italian action in Albania, is proceeding in the Wilhelmstrasse.

Foreign political circles connect the Italo-German staff talks at Innsbruck with the Italian move and believe the talks were not taken without the full sanction of Hitler. — Reuter.

COLONEL BECK HAS FINAL MEETING WITH VISCOUNT HALIFAX

London, To-day.

The Polish Foreign Minister, Col. Beck, had a final talk with the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, late on Thursday evening to clear up outstanding points.

In an interview with the press after the talks, Col. Beck expressed optimism about future development of the permanent stable collaboration established between the British and Polish Governments.

He explained that both sides were inspired by a spirit of peace and conciliation in respect of all nations.

"Both thought it right to affirm their solidarity by an agreed declaration."

Col. Beck saw M. Tilea, the Rumanian Minister in London, who returned from Bucharest on Thursday, after consulting his Government, yesterday morning, and left London at 2 p.m.

The Polish Ambassador in Paris left for Calais yesterday to meet Col. Beck and accompany him to Brussels.

The Ambassador will inform Col. Beck of the views of the French Government on the current diplomatic talks.

It is highly likely that Colonel Beck will visit Paris at the beginning of next month.—Reuter.

MEETS M. TILEA

London, To-day.

Following Mr. Chamberlain's House of Commons announcement on the Anglo-Polish Agreement, the Polish Foreign Minister had another conversation, lasting an hour, with the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, at the Foreign Office.

Questions in the agreement still outstanding were discussed.

Earlier in the evening Colonel Beck had a conversation with the Rumanian Minister to Britain, M. Tilea, who had just returned from Bucharest.

M. Tilea also called on Lord Halifax.

The High Commissioners for the Dominions also called at the Dominions Office, where they were informed of the progress of the Anglo-Polish talks.—Trans-Ocean.

GAFENCU TRIP POSTPONED

Budapest, To-day.

The trip of the Rumanian Foreign Minister, M. Gafencu, has been postponed.

M. Gafencu will now not start his trip, first stop of which is at Ankara, until the Turkish Foreign Minister returns from Teheran, where he is heading the Turkish delegation to the wedding of the Iranian Crown Prince.—Trans-Ocean.

SPANISH WARSHIPS RELEASED

Seville, To-day.

The Spanish warships which had been interned by the French in Bizerte arrived at Seville yesterday and left later in the day for Cadiz.—Trans-Ocean.

NO WAR THIS WEEK: PREMIER GOES FISHING

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, left London on Thursday evening for a fishing holiday in Scotland.

Mr. Chamberlain will keep in the closest touch with Whitehall, and will be able to return in a short space of time if necessary.—Reuter.

CHINESE RAIDS ON CANTON DENIED

Canton, To-day.

In reply to questions at the daily press conference, the Japanese spokesman strongly denied the claim made in Chungking that Chinese planes raided Canton a few days ago and destroyed 10 large Japanese planes on the ground.

Since the occupation of Canton by the Japanese last October, said the spokesman, the city had not experienced a single Chinese air raid.—Reuter.

U.S. VIEW OF GERMAN AIRCRAFT

Washington, To-day.

"Although we are reluctant to admit it, the best American aircraft are second best to Germany's," Mr. Joseph Ames, Chairman of the National Advisory Council on Aeronautics, informed the Senate appropriations committee, according to evidence made public here yesterday.

Mr. Ames attributed this to Germany's superior research facilities and urged an additional appropriation of \$8,140,000 for aircraft research.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER PASSES: "A GREAT IMPERIAL PATRIOT"

MR. JOSEPH ALOYSIUS LYONS, PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA SINCE 1932, DIED ON THURSDAY MORNING AFTER A SERIES OF HEART ATTACKS. HE WAS 59 YEARS OLD.

Mr. Lyons died in the presence of Dame Enid, his wife, who scarcely left the bedside for two days.

Federal and State Cabinet members were present at the hospital, and many tears were shed.

Mr. Lyons amazed the doctors by his hard fight for life. He rallied after half a dozen heart seizures, though there was never any hope for his final recovery.

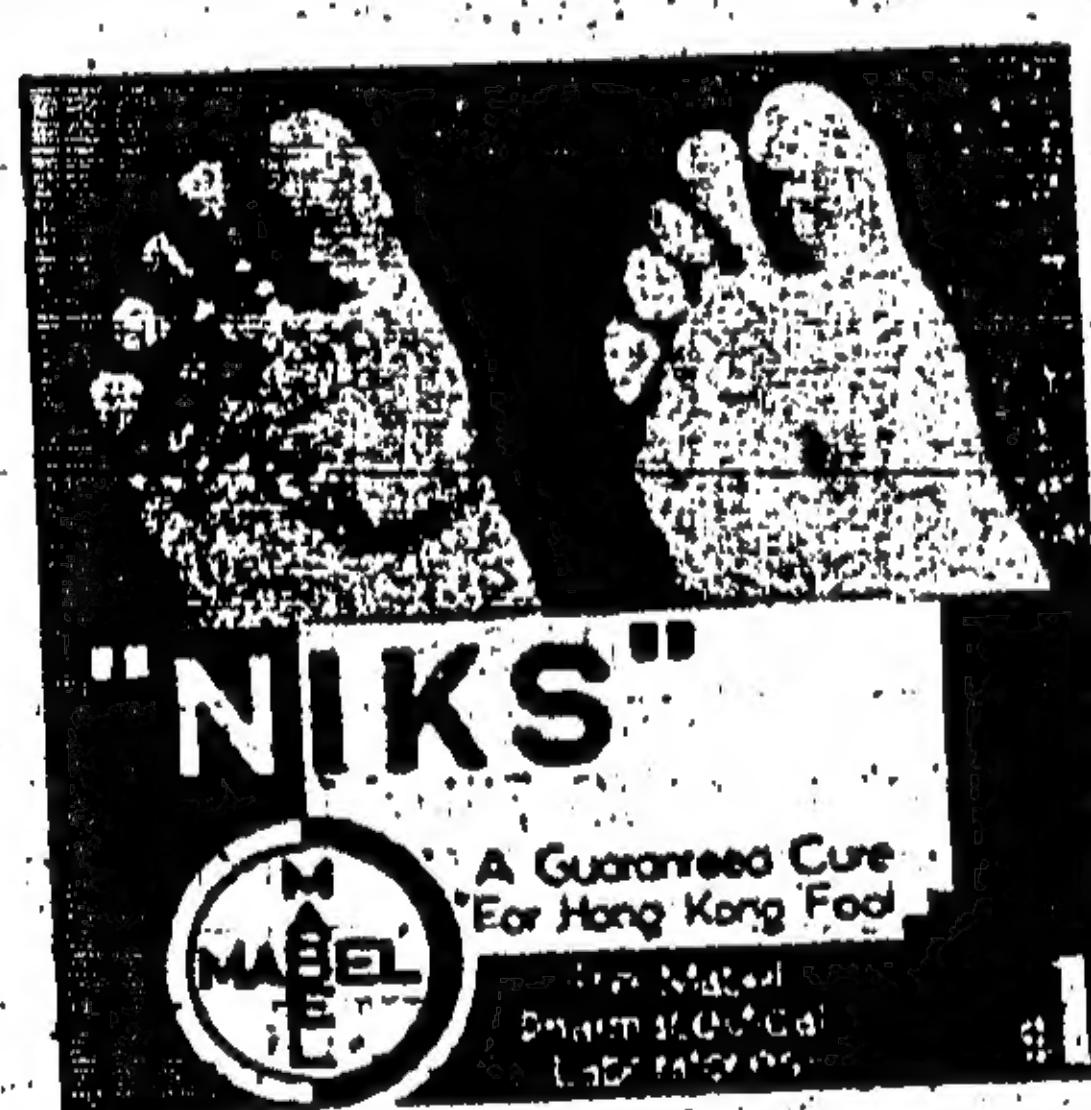
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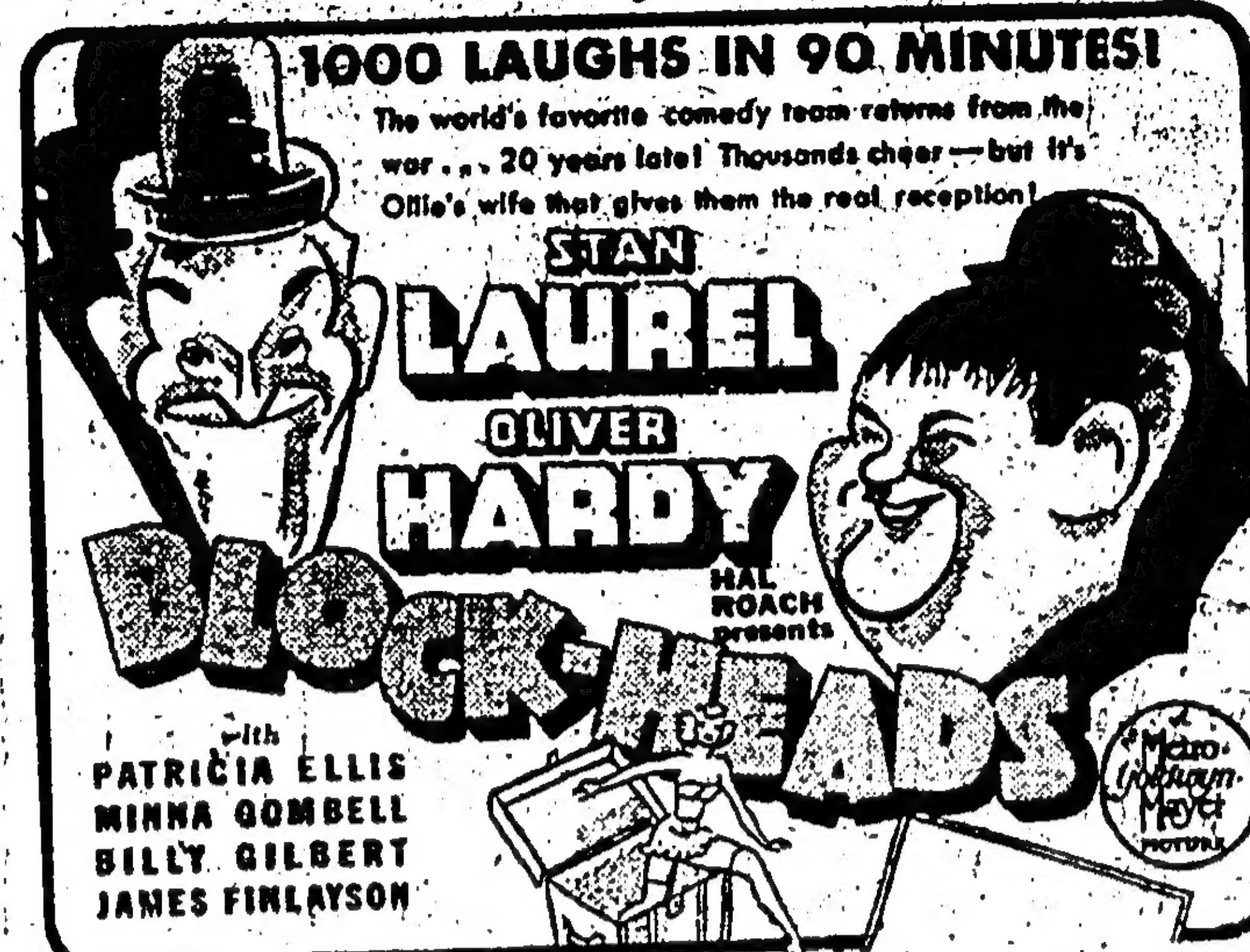
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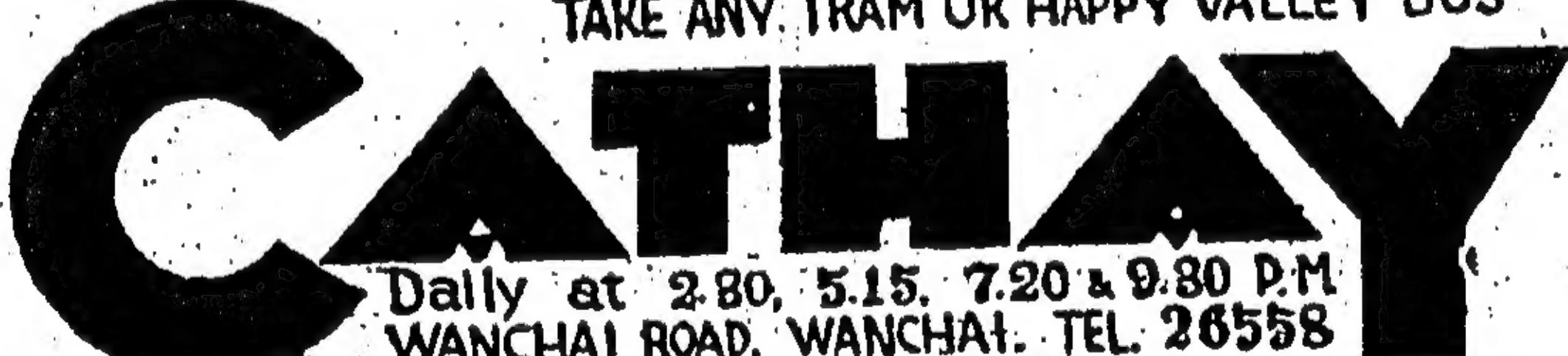
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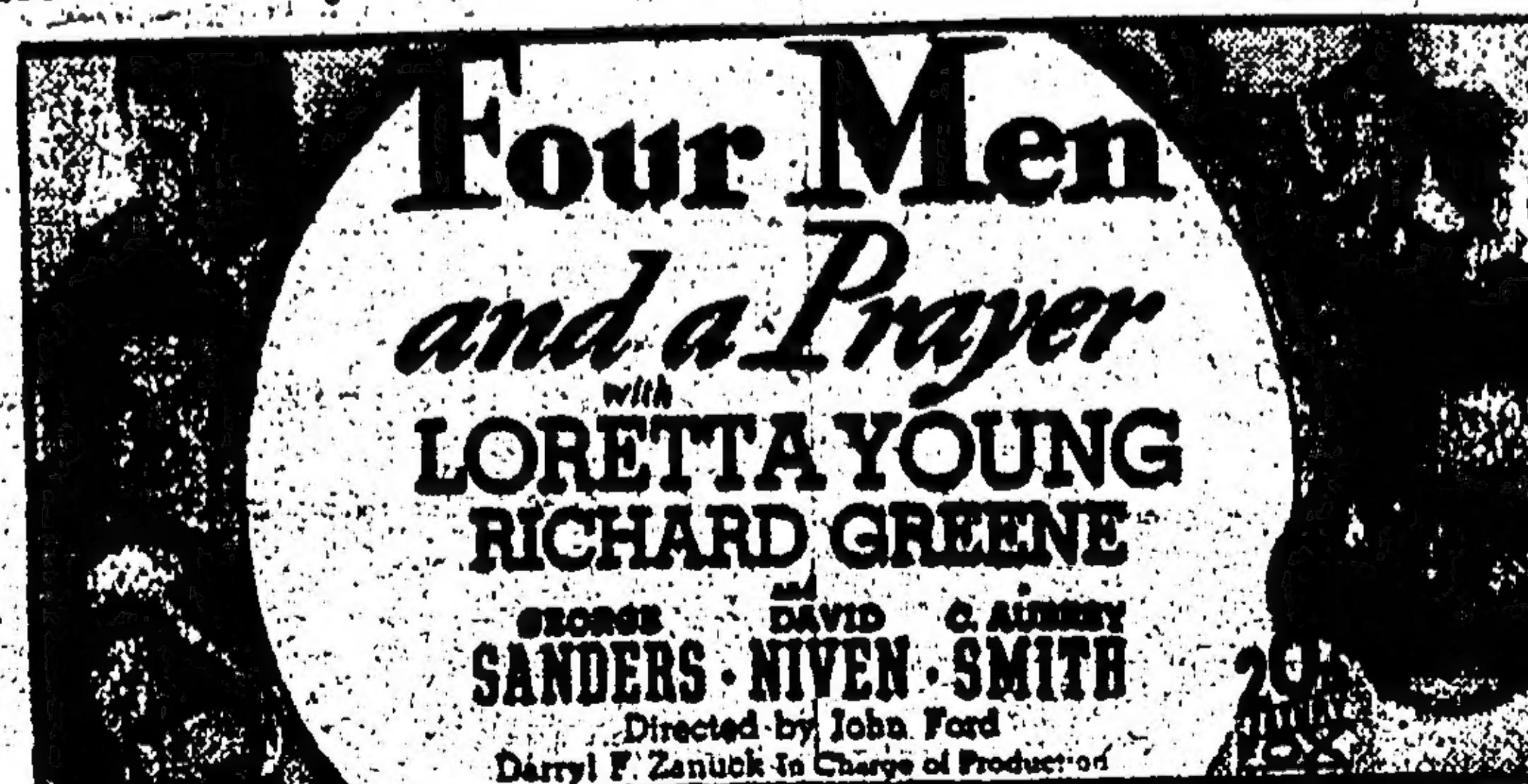
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DEMONSTRATIONS IN TIRANA AS PRELUDE TO ITALIAN INVASION

Tirana, To-day.

Demonstrations against possible Italian action in Albania continued all day on Thursday. In Parliament it was declared that the Italian demands are unacceptable to Albania.

The appearance in the afternoon of 29 Italian aeroplanes over the capital caused a great demonstration by the population in front of Parliament buildings, the Royal Palace and the foreign Legations.

The demonstrators declared that Italian troops would only occupy the country "over our dead bodies."

Some 26,000 Albanian troops have been mobilised.—Reuter.

Paris, To-day.

The Albanian Legation here has issued a communique emphasising Albania's intention never to agree to alienate her independence or to allow foreign troops to disembark.

NO AUTHORITY

The communique says that the Italo-Albanian defensive alliance of 1927 in no way authorises Italy to intervene for maintenance of order in Albania.

Therefore there is nothing to arouse belief of any change of attitude by Italy.—Reuter.

YUGOSLAV RESERVE

Belgrade, To-day.

Strict reserve is being maintained in official Yugo-Slav quarters over the Albanian situation.

The Foreign Minister, M. Marcovitch, has received the Albanian Minister, M. Stila.

Albanian news has caused some concern among the public, and newspapers are publishing only short reports.—Trans-Ocean.

GOERING OFF TO TRIPOLI

Rome, To-day.

Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, who is on vacation at San Remo, embarked yesterday for Tripoli.—Trans-Ocean.

FIRST WARNING

Rome, To-day.

Several Italian journalists have left for Albania, among them Mussolini's special war correspondent Luigi Barzini.—Trans-Ocean.

INNSBRUCK COUNCIL

Rome, To-day.

The meeting of the German and Italian General Staffs at Innsbruck is given great prominence in the Italian press.

The papers say the meeting shows the perfect working in the military field of the Berlin-Rome Axis.—Trans-Ocean.

SO MANY CAN'T ALL BE GOOD!

Canton, To-day.

An announcement on the "good citizen badges" issued to Chinese approved by the Japanese, was made by the official Japanese spokesman here yesterday.

He said the badges no longer served their purpose when too many were issued.

Over 500,000 had been issued, the spokesman claimed, "all of whom

PRECEDENT CREATED

Sydney, To-day.

Mr. J. A. Lyons' death was the first time an Australian Prime Minister had died in office, and it is not yet known what action the Governor-General will take.

One of the political consequences may be an early election. Reuter.

[The story of Mr. Lyons' death will be found in Page Five.]

FRENCH OBJECT TO ALBANIA PROTECTORATE

PARIS, TO-DAY.

FRENCH INTEREST SEEMS TO HAVE SHIFTED FROM THE ANGLO-POLISH TALKS TO THE MEDITERRANEAN, WHERE ALBANIA IS OCCUPYING MUCH ATTENTION.

While Italy's favoured position in Albania is recognised, strong hostility exists towards a direct Italian protectorate over that country.

Meanwhile the Foreign Minister, M. George Bonnet, received the Polish and Spanish Ambassadors.

The Spanish Ambassador's visit is said to have been connected with the French inquiry into the landing of fresh Italian troops in Spain, while the Polish envoy's visit was concerned with the negotiations between Britain and France and Poland.

The Rumanian Ambassador also called on M. Bonnet to discuss the London talks and also the coming visit of the Rumanian Foreign Minister to Paris.

M. Bonnet also received the ex-Czech Minister, M. Osusky.—Trans-Ocean.

of course, could not claim to be good citizens."—Reuter.

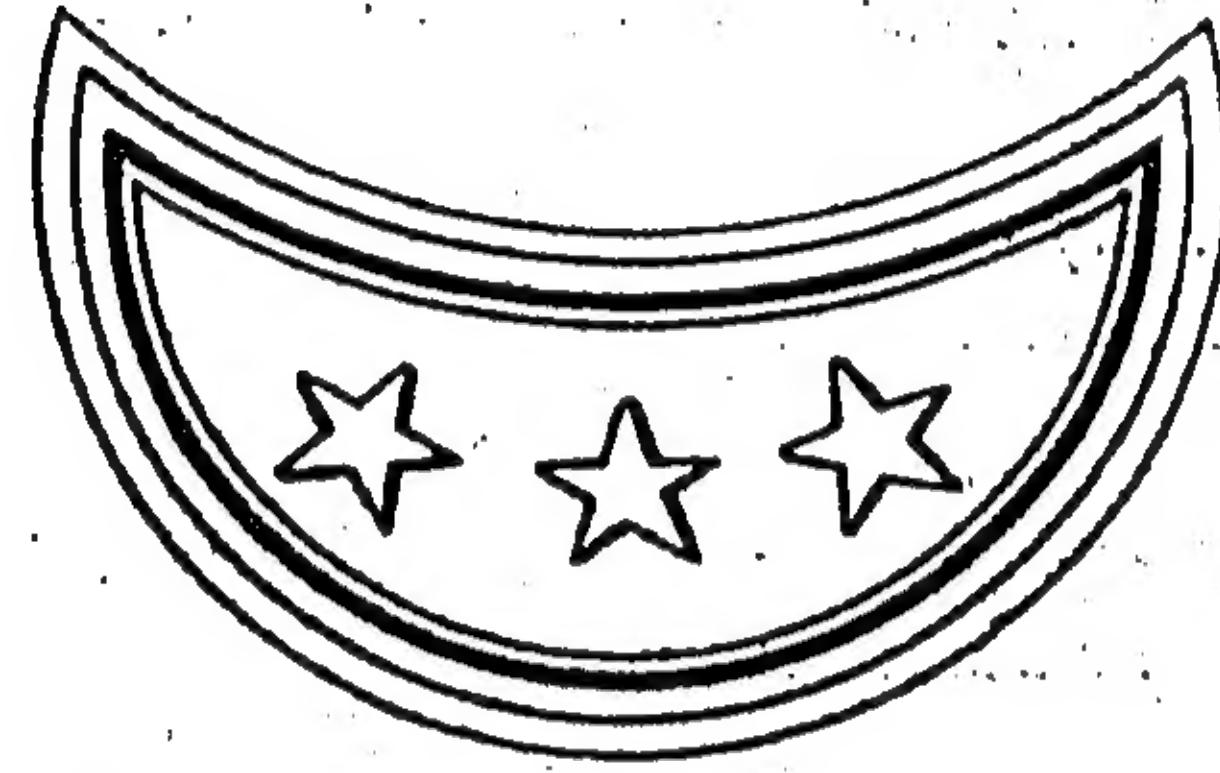
The spokesman's announcement seems to be an attempt to confirm Japan's claim that the population of Canton had been reduced to large numbers.

Foreign sources are of opinion the actual population of Canton to-day falls far short of the figure of half a million claimed by the Japanese spokesman and cited by Reuter.

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BRITAIN WAITING ON FURTHER DETAILS

Difficulty In Obtaining Accurate Reports

RECENT ITALIAN ASSURANCES

London, To-day.

British official circles feel it is essential to wait until the situation has crystallised and official reports are received and considered before any considered judgment on the situation in Albania can be formed.

It is pointed out that many reports are contradictory and that other governments, including that of Yugo-Slavia, are experiencing similar difficulties in obtaining authoritative reports.

WASHINGTON MESSAGE FROM TIRANA

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

THE SECRETARY OF STATE, MR. CORDELL HULL, HAS RECEIVED A CABLE FROM THE UNITED STATES MINISTER AT TIRANA, THE ALBANIAN CAPITAL, STATING THAT ALL AMERICANS THERE WERE AT THE LEGATION. NONE ARE INJURED.

Mr. Hull told the press he did not consider there were enough Americans in the danger zone to raise the question of sending an American warship.

He added that the United States Government was assembling all essential facts in the Italo-Albanian conflict before assuming her attitude.—Reuter.

FOXBROUGH FAVOURITE FOR THE DERBY

London, To-day.
The following is the latest Call-over for the Derby, to be run at Epsom on May 24:

15 to 2 Foxbrough, taken and offered.
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100 to 8 Casanova.
100 to 8 Fairstone.
100 to 8 Heropolis.
100 to 9 Rogerstone Castle.
100 to 6 Admirals Walk, offered.
100 to 6 Meadow, offered.
—Reuter.

However, it is observed that the Italian Government on April 4 informed the British Government that "they had no wish whatever to change the status quo in Albania," and in the scheme which the Italians had formulated earlier to the Albanian Government through normal diplomatic channels for closer Italo-Albanian relations, they had not implied any diminution of the sovereignty, integrity and independence of Albania.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, is remaining in London to be in close touch with the situation, and it is understood that other members of the Cabinet are close at hand.

DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITY

Callers at the Foreign Office included the French Polish and Turkish Ambassadors, the Rumanian, Greek, Albanian, Yugo-Slav and Bulgarian Ministers and the Italian charge d'affaires.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent says that the news of the invasion "did not take British quarters entirely by surprise!"

Lord Halifax at the Foreign Office yesterday received reports as they arrived, and the French and British Governments are in close consultation.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain and his wife arrived in Aberdeenshire yesterday morning for a fishing holiday. They are staying with Lord and Lady Forbes.—Reuter.

BECK LEAVES FOR WARSAW

London, To-day.
Colonel Joseph Beck, the Polish Foreign Minister, has left for Warsaw on completion of the negotiations for an Anglo-Polish pact of mutual assistance.—Reuter.

71 CHINESE SHOT IN CANTON

Canton, To-day.

A total of 71 Chinese convicted of armed robbery or looting, were shot by the Japanese a few days ago, said the official spokesman at a press conference.

This was the second mass execution of criminals since the occupation, and followed a swift trial.—Reuter.

U.S. EXPECTED TO REFUSE RECOGNITION

Washington, To-day.

It is expected that the United States will refuse to recognise the occupation of Albania.

Well-informed circles declare that this "indefensible aggression" by Italy should end illusions that one end of the Axis could be bought off with concessions, and it is now clear that both ends are equally aggressive and faithless."

It is considered here that despite British progress in forming an anti-aggression bloc, much remains to be done.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, held a long telephone conversation with President Roosevelt at Warm Springs on the situation in Albania.

It is understood the conversations dealt with the effects on American relations with Italy and Albania.—Reuter.

NAZI APPROVAL OF ITALIAN INVASION

Berlin, To-day.

German approval of the Italian action is implied in a presumably inspired comment in the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," which declares that Italy is directly interested in Albania.

Her Adriatic policy, declares the Nazi journal, is determined "by resolution to preserve peace!"

Official Nazi circles states: "Germany would not understand or be

able to approve if the Democratic Western Powers, which have no interests in the Albanian sphere, should want to intervene in a juridically irreproachable position in the action of our Axis partner." —Reuter.

Japanese Run Into An "Accident" Near Kowkong

Canton, To-day.

IT has been officially revealed that a Japanese cameraman was killed and four others injured as result of an "accident" (as the Japanese spokesman nicely puts it) near Kowkong, about 25 miles south-east of Canton at the end of March.

While a party of 18 Japanese journalists and cameramen were returning by bus from a tour of the battle areas they were attacked by some "Chinese remnant troops." For some reason the bus overturned, says the Japanese spokesman, causing the death of a camera-

man named Shiraki, of the South China Photo Service.

The Japanese spokesman claims that Chinese "volunteers" are co-operating with the Japanese forces in mopping-up operations in the West River Delta which began on March 27.—Reuter.



By BUD FISHER

MUTT AND JEFF



THE DAILY SHORT STORY

Trailing North

At the point where the trail came ten hours and be on his way with the down to the frozen bed of the river Big first streaks of snow, and reach frozen Creek stopped and slipped the pack. Creek before another day had passed. from his shoulders. For awhile he stood beating his mitten hands warmth and shelter and cheer. Curiously, he felt that he could use long period of rest. His breathing, for some strange reason, seemed to be laboured. This annoyed him. He had never known such a feeling.

Big Fritz chuckled, slowly flexing the fingers which had come so close to being frozen beyond repair. He was still chuckling as he gathered wood, tumbled in his pocket for a match and presently had a fire going.

He set water on to boil and laid two biscuits close to the blaze. When the water boiled he dropped in a handful of tea. As Big Fritz sipped the tea and munched the now sodden biscuits he chuckled again.

So they had warned him against attempting to make Frozen Creek, had they? They had told him he was new to this country and didn't realize the folly of a man alone being out when the temperature was 50 below. Bah! Did they take him for a weakling? Let those flabby-muscled, soft-brained idiots remain squatting about the fire at Riley's Post if they liked. While they basked and soaked and made excuses he, Fritz, was going on, up to the gold country, and stake out for himself the best claim of all.

Gold! Mere thought of the word brought lustful lights into his eyes.

Then it happened. The snow on which he stood suddenly gave way.

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

Two days ago a bread had come in with the news that miners at Frozen Creek had made a new strike. There had been a bustle of excitement at Riley's post, a rush of preparation, a fever of anticipation. The next day would see 90 per cent of the residents at the post trekking northward.

And then that night the temperature had dropped. To 20 below. To 30. To 40! And then to 50! Old timers said it was bound to go lower. Even the newest arrivals heeded the warning. No man could live alone in weather like that unless he got all the breaks, and nobody in the north country ever got all the breaks. A man would be a fool to try.

But Big Fritz's eyes had gleamed. So, they thought no man could stand the gaff, eh? They were staying home by the fire, waiting for the cold snap to break? O.K! Fine! He'd show them! And his reward would be the biggest and richest claim of all.

Big Fritz swung the pack over his shoulders, and turned toward the river. The river was a broad, smooth highway, penetrating the wild fastnesses of the north country. Following it to Frozen Creek was longer, yet it saved time because it facilitated travel. Three feet of snow covered its solid surface of ice.

Big Fritz laughed aloud. The fools! The weaklings! Did they imagine there was any country in the world which could defy the strength and cunning of Big Fritz? He'd show them!

It was noon when Big Fritz had stopped to boil his tea. But, despite the fact that the sky was clear, there was no sun, for this was the land on top of the world where in winter the sun never rises above the southern rim. A weird, ghostly light lay all about rendering what was already bleak, bleaker still, making desolation more desolate.

To-night there would be no moon. In an hour or two the light would fall completely. At first it would welcome the end of the short day. He would make camp, eat a hearty meal, sleep

too late he realized he had been standing on the thin coating of an air hole. He plunged down. Water closed about his legs, his thighs. He clutched frantically at the edge of the hole, but managed after a moment's struggle to pull himself out.

He lay breathing heavily, then got to his feet. It was as though he were in a plaster cast. He fell, began inching himself toward the bank, and the dry wood that lay there. He tried to find a match, but his fingers were clumsy, and in a frenzy of fear he ripped off his mitten. He found the match, but his fingers were too cold to light it. He tried to get his mitten on again. The effort exhausted him. By the time he had the task accomplished his hand was frozen, useless.

Big Fritz looked up and about. Start desolation lay on every hand. The weird light had begun to fail. A drowsiness came over him. He rested his head on his arm. He felt warm and comfortable. He roused himself once, but there was a uselessness about the effort, so he lay down again, finding peace and warmth in the first stages of the long sleep.

With the passing of light a wind whipped down the river, drifting powdery snow over the still form of the man, laughing eerily, mockingly; laughing in triumph.

Big Fritz had at last met a country that was too big for him.

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Extraordinary Outburst By Signor 'Mouthpiece' Gayda

"ITALY RESTORING PEACE, ORDER AND LIBERTY"

Rome, To-day.

Signor Gayda, Italy's official political commentator, writing in "Giornale d'Italia," declares that a new and important event is being accomplished in the Near East and Europe.

"At the call of patriotic Albanians who were unable further to suffer the misgovernment of their King and obliged by the necessity of defending the life and land of Italians in Albania, who were openly threatened by obscure armed bands, Italy to-day landed, without encountering any resistance, her troops, who are pushing forward to various vital points of the land."

Signor Gayda adds: "During the past few days King Zog has asked the Italian Government for fresh help and protection and for the despatch of troops to guard certain points in Albania, but at the last hour the Italian Government discovered that her forces would be required only in the case of a wild attempt by King Zog against Yugoslavia towards Kossovo, with the evident object of disturbing the tranquil and cordial relations between Italy and Yugoslavia."

KING ACCUSED

"Italian refusal to play this game has provoked the displeasure of peace is desired."—Reuter.

King Zog and his followers, and this was shown in provocation and significant acts of violence against Italians residing in Albania.

"The Italian Government called King Zog's attention to his responsibility. The King evaded the issue by offering new and suspicious intrigues."

"By her intervention, Italy has restored to Albania peace, order and liberty to civil workers, which was being seriously compromised."

"This decision cannot alarm neighbouring States with whom only friendly collaboration and an assurance of Balkan and European

JAPANESE VACCINATION REQUIREMENT

Canton, To-day. Everybody proceeding from Canton to the occupied areas in Central China, including Shanghai and Nanking, must in future carry a certificate showing that they have recently been inoculated against cholera and smallpox.

The regulation applies to foreigners as well as Chinese.—Reuter.

BRITAIN FORGETS THE CRISIS

London, To-day. Parliament has adjourned for the Easter Recess until April 18, but will be re-summoned if the international situation warrants.

The weather forecast of a fair amount of sunshine has prompted Britain to forget the international crisis, and thousands are flocking in record numbers to country and seaside resorts for Easter.

The railways are running nearly 3,000 trains from London, and every available air liner has been pressed into service for Continental journeys. — Reuter.

Mr. Hudson Clears Up Trade Difficulties In Poland

London, To-day.

AT Warsaw, the Secretary for Overseas Trade, Mr. R. S. Hudson, was able to clear up difficulties which had arisen in the working of the trade agreement with Poland and to discuss with Polish Ministers, the development of Polish industrial equipment.

This statement was made in the House of Commons by Mr. Neville Chamberlain, referring to Mr. Hudson's visit to Warsaw, Moscow, Helsingfors and Stockholm.

At Moscow, Mr. Hudson discussed general economic relations between the two countries.

He was able to obtain the consent of the Soviet for the opening in London of negotiations for a new

agreement.

MORE LONDON TALKS

As a result of conversations in Helsingfors and Stockholm, it had been agreed that deputations of Finnish and Swedish industrialists be sent at an early date to London with a view to devising practical methods of increasing British exports to Finland and Sweden.—Reuter.

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U.S.S.R. into European politics
England will not serve the cause
of international peace.—Hamburger Fremdenblatt:

By accepting a fleet that was not suitable for aggressive action against this country, it is obvious that German political leaders were risking a great deal on Britain's neutrality. Events of the last eighteen months, particularly during the crisis last autumn, showed them that they had dangerously misread the reaction of this country to Germany's political aims, and forced them to reckon Great Britain as a possible, even probable enemy.

Germany's armed forces must be developed in such a way that they will most effectively threaten Great Britain, and therefore cause this country to avoid a war which might be infinitely more damaging — whether successful or not — than concessions made in peace.—“Fortnightly.”

Her Hitler's influence is dominant in Central Europe, as it was bound in the to become, is proving itself consistently hostile to political freedom as the Western democracies understand it. They on their part can only continue with increased energy to look to their own security—not because they wish to prevent the normal growth of a strong Germany, but because more and more the Nazi Reich appears to be determined not only to expand to its full stature, but also to extend its domination wherever the weakness of other nations may seem to make extension possible.—“Times”:

This is particularly true in the case of Yugoslavia. The Democratic Opposition which suffered a moral defeat after Munich, has become a political factor again, and the possibility of its coming to power very soon is by no means excluded. Its political programme, now under revision, aims at the revival of the French alliance and conclusion of a Treaty of friendship with Great Britain. —“Cuientul,” Bucharest:

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There are three Hush-Hush Bills hidden in the discreet archives of Whitehall.

Drawn up two years ago, one secret plan provides for the return of certain colonies to Germany..

Another, designed to be rushed through Parliament in a few hours, would effect a war-time nationalisation of all transport.

Another would control agriculture, and has drastic proposals for increasing food production.—“John Bull”:

While dissatisfaction obtains over the continuation of the German advance towards the South of Europe, the idea of customs union is described in Rome as “intelligent,” and worthy of being copied by Italy. As regards Albania it is almost certain that she will be brought within the Italian customs barriers before the end of the present year.

Deprived of the subsidies granted to the Tirana Government, the present regime would have little chance of surviving.—“Der Bund,” Berlin:

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**MIRROR OF
OPINION**

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U. S. FINANCIER'S WARNING TO NAZIS

America Will Fight If Interests Are Involved
Pungent Remarks By Bernard Baruch

Washington, To-day.

"You cannot put economic pressure upon nations and hope to remain indefinitely at peace with them," declared the well-known financier, Mr. Bernard Baruch, before the Senate's neutrality committee yesterday.

"Economic sanctions," added Mr. Baruch, "are innately dangerous. If they fail, they are bound to lead to war."

"I doubt whether economic pressure on our part could prevent war if an aggressor was determined on it."

Mr. Baruch endorsed the principle of placing arms and ammunition on a cash and carry basis when other countries are at war and the United States is neutral.

He believed this could be done without affecting the neutrality status of the United States.

GERMAN MISTAKE

"Anyone who thinks the United States would not fight when the interests of this hemisphere and the United States are involved, is badly mistaken," he declared, and added grimly: "Germany made that mistake once before."

Mr. Baruch said he believed the United States or the Western Hemisphere could escape involvement in a European conflict without burying its head in the sand, and yet still raise its voice against faithlessness and brutality.

Mr. Baruch, who was President Wilson's chairman of the 1918 War Industries Board and is now a frequent consultant of President Roosevelt, expressed the opinion that since true neutrality "is an almost unobtainable ideal," the best course the United States could pursue is that which protects it as far as possible from involvement in war, preserves fairness in dealings with belligerents, aids in the development of defence and guards against economic collapse.

DYING COMMERCE

"If we believe we can defend the

Western Hemisphere, then the argument for waging economic warfare falls to the ground," he declared.

Mr. Baruch declared that the commerce of the world, on which rested both its peace and prosperity, was dying—killed by the increasing restrictions of barter, tariffs and quotas and "self-containment."

He said Mr. Cordell Hull (the American Secretary of State) was trying to restore it, but the present neutrality legislation threatened to restrict it further.—Reuter.

MUDDE IN FARM PROBLEMS

Washington, To-day.

Farm legislation problems, including cotton, are becoming even more muddled as renewed factionalism among the farm State Senators appears increasingly to defeat any broadening of the agricultural programme in the present session of Congress.

There are now at least three distinct proposals urged by farm Senators, and none seem sufficiently acceptable to any other group to form the basis of a compromise.

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NAZIS EXPELLED FROM BRITAIN

London, To-day.
The residence in Britain of three persons connected with the Gestapo, the dreaded German secret police, and other Nazi organisations, was terminated recently.

This was revealed in the House of Commons yesterday by the Home Secretary, Sir Samuel Hoare.

Sir Samuel added that the activities of other persons similarly connected were being watched.—Reuter.

ANGLO-U.S. AGREEMENT ON PACIFIC ISLES

Washington, To-day.
A 50-year Anglo-American agreement for joint occupation and administration of the Pacific islands of Canton and Enderbury for use as trans-oceanic air stations, has been signed.

The agreement provides that an American company or companies may construct an airport on Can-

H.K. TO BE STOP IN BERLIN-TOKYO AIR ROUTE

BERLIN, TO-DAY.

HERR GLABENZ, DIRECTOR OF LUFTHANSA, IS TO FLY TO TOKYO IN THE SECOND HALF OF APRIL. IT WILL NOT BE A RECORD FLIGHT BUT IS BEING UNDERTAKEN IN ORDER TO PREPARE THE GROUND FOR THE BERLIN-TOKYO AIR SERVICE PLANNED BY LUFTHANSA.

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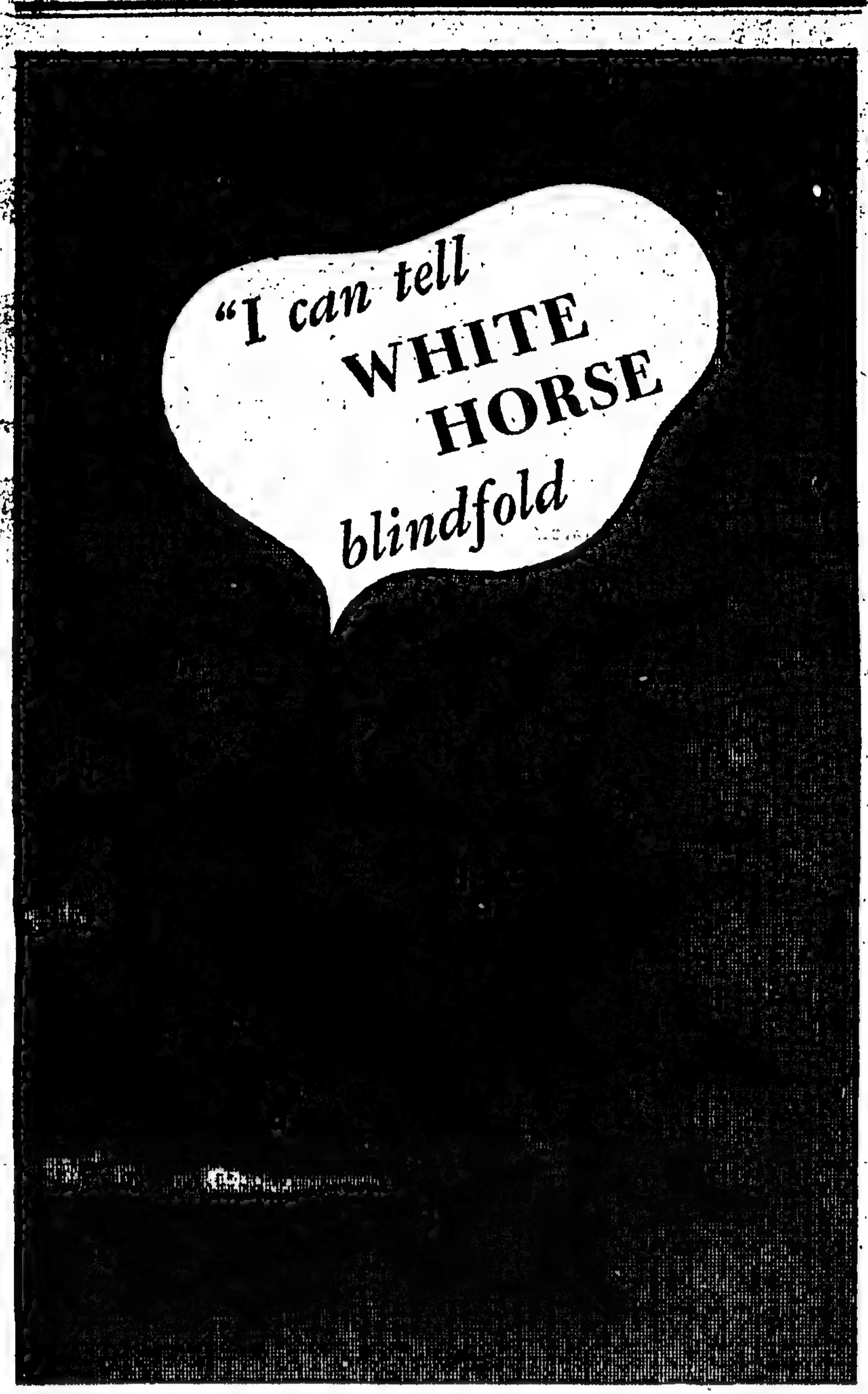
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GERMANY'S OFFER TO POLAND

Berlin, To-day.

Germany has offered to guarantee Poland's "complete independence and territorial integrity" for half a generation, according to the Nazi paper "Voelkischer Beobachter."

In return, Germany has asked for return of "a small compact area which is inhabited exclusively by Germans" and "free passage to Germany north-eastward."

The "small compact area" is presumed to mean Danzig.

These details supplemented the inspired statement issued on April 5 in which reference was made to the recent talks between Germany and Poland.—Reuter.

FRANCO JOINS ANTI-COMINTERN PACT

Burgos, To-day.

General Franco's Government has officially announced adherence to the Anti-Comintern Pact.

The official announcement states the step has been taken "in order to strengthen the Government's defensive position in the face of surrounding dangers."

The protocol of adhesion was signed at Burgos by the Spanish

Mr. Neville Chamberlain's announcement in the House of Commons on Poland has been the subject of a conference of Nazi officials in Berlinstrasse.

German political circles do not disguise the fact that Poland is apparently having dealings with the Soviet or other ties with Rumania.

ROOSEVELT PROCLAMATION ON SLOVAKIA

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

A PROCLAMATION BY PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, RELEASED BY THE STATE DEPARTMENT, TO PUT INTO EFFECT THE TURKISH-AMERICAN AGREEMENT, INDICATES THAT THE PRESIDENT CONSIDERS SLOVAKIA UNDER GERMAN ADMINISTRATION.

The proclamation states: "Products of Slovakia shall be regarded as products of Germany."

State Department officials declared that on the strength of the proclamation, the United States would refuse to credit any German representations that Slovakia is an independent nation.—Reuter.

Foreign Minister, the Italian and German Ambassadors and the Japanese Minister. — Reuter.

These Nazi circles believe the attitude of the Polish Foreign Minister, Col Beck, indicates that he is inclined to join in policy against Germany.

In Paris, Mr. Beck's announcement has been received with regret by the Left Wing, who are inclined to join in the policy against Germany.

The Left also expresses reluctance to see the system of appeasement continued.—Reuter.

POLAND REQUIRES

LONDON
IN THE COURSE OF THE CENT CONVERSATION WITH POLISH FOREIGN MINISTER COL BECK, EXPLAINED THAT THE NATIONAL EFFORTS OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE BE EXTENDED

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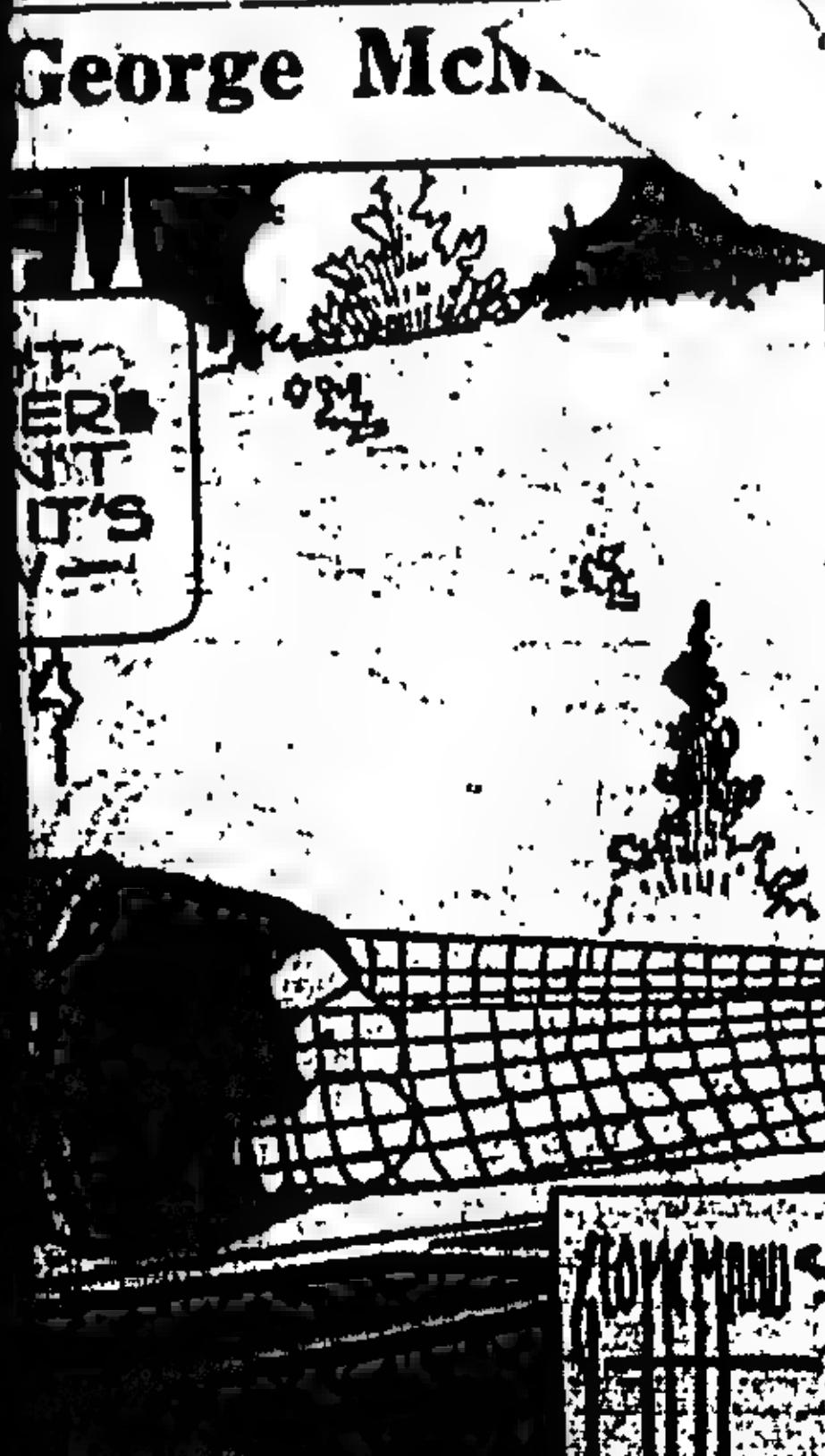


(Above) "PASSPORTS" FOR DOGS. — Not many dog owners, when their dog is lost, can describe him in detail. The National Canine Defence League, realising this, has issued a special dog identification card. This is contained in a wallet which also holds licence, pedigree and photograph. Since the first of these were issued last November thousands have been applied for from all over England, and the wallet is to remain a permanent feature of the League's service. Photo shows an official of the National Canine Defence League making out a dog's "passport."

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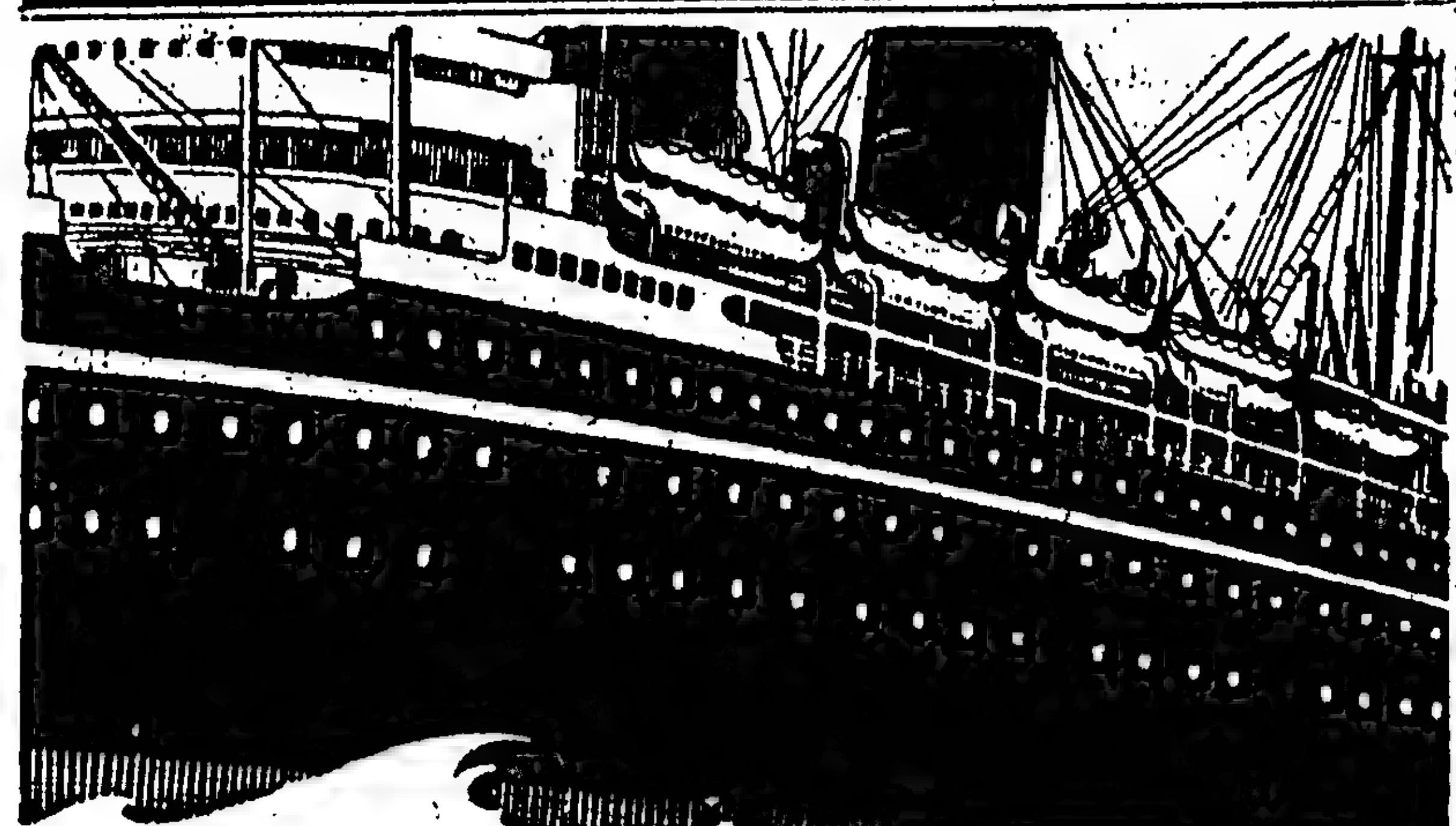
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8th April	10th April
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Shanghai	St. Louis	Arendskerk	April 8.
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Anhui	Alipore	Alipore	April 9.
Alipore	Calcutta	Calcutta	April 10.
Calcutta	Teheran	Teheran	April 10.
Teheran	Vitorlock	Vitorlock	April 11.
Vitorlock	Laos	Laos	April 11.
Laos	Glenbeg	Glenbeg	April 11.
Glenbeg	Changte	Changte	April 11.
Changte	Santhia	Santhia	April 11.
Santhia	Carthage	Carthage	April 12.
Carthage	Soochow	Soochow	April 12.
Soochow	Shanghai and Amoy	Shanghai and Amoy	April 12.
Shanghai and Amoy	Swatow	Swatow	April 12.
Swatow	Straits and Manila	Straits and Manila	April 12.
Straits and Manila	Jean Laborde	Jean Laborde	April 12.
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Rakuyo Maru	Neptuna	Neptuna	April 15.

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For	Per	Date and Time
SATURDAY		
Papers only for Straits and (Parcels Shirala and Papers for Calcutta).	Saturday, April 8.	
Pap.	Sat. Apr. 8, 9.00 a.m.	
Ixion	Sat. Apr. 8, 9.30 a.m.	
Dairen	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Van Heutz	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Emp. of Canada	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Fort Bayard, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Kaying	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Shunchih	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Bangkok	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Hank	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Nellore	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
Shanghai	Sat. Apr. 8, Noon.	
SUNDAY		
Huapeh	Apr. 9, 9.00 a.m.	
MONDAY		
Haiyang	Mon. Apr. 10, Noon.	
Amoy and Foochow	Mon. Apr. 10, Noon.	
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Reg.	Mon. Apr. 10, 11.15 a.m.	
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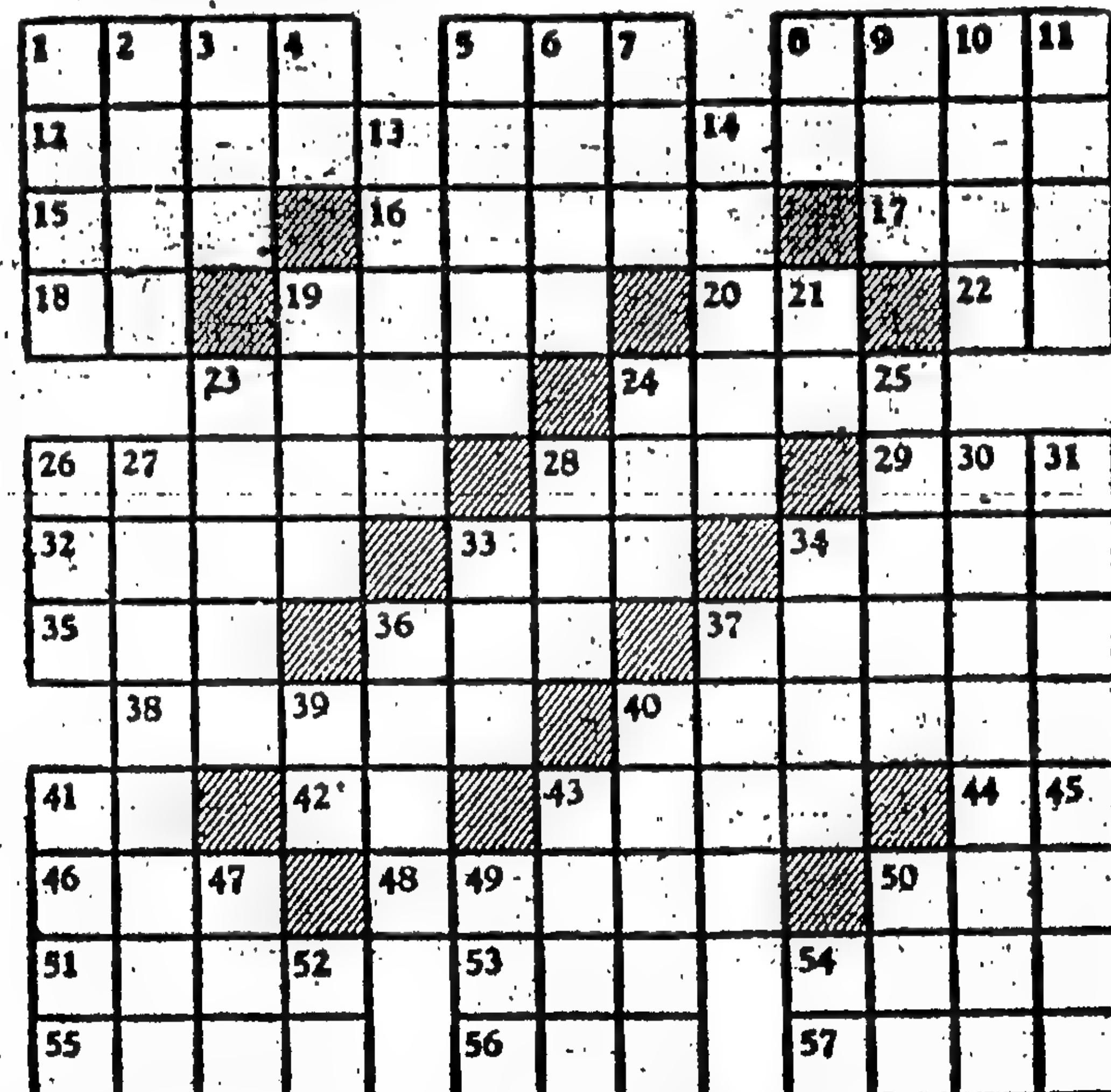
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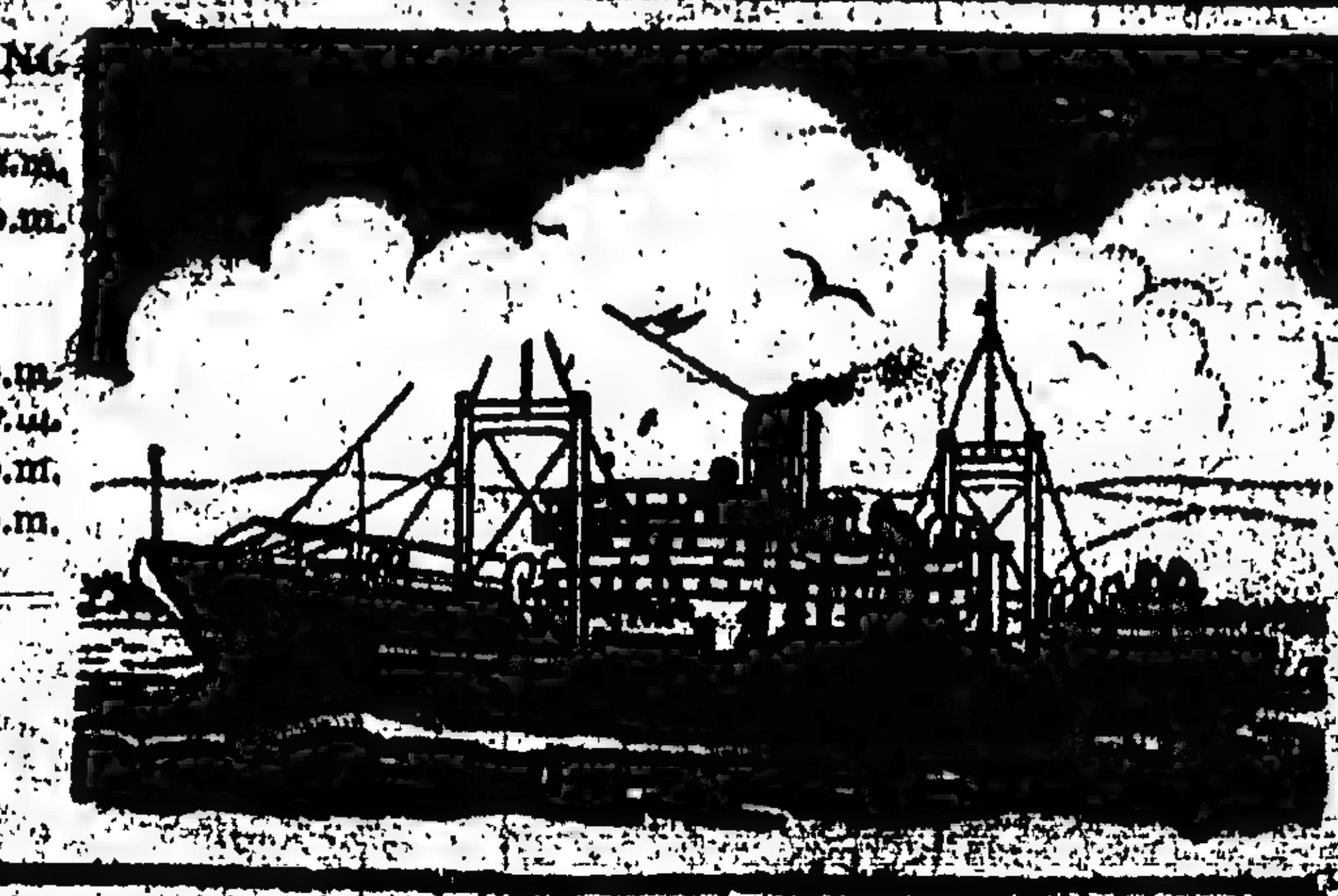
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Grimsby	3	Huddersfield	3
Liverpool	4	Birmingham	0
Manchester U.	0	Leeds U.	0
Portsmouth	1	Derby	3
Sunderland	1	Everton	2

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Burnley	2	Sheffield U.	3
Bury	1	Mcchester C.	5
Chesterfield	2	Newcastle	0
Fulham	2	Blackburn	3
Luton	6	Southampton	2
Millwall	2	Sheffield W.	0
Notts F.	2	West Brom	0
Tottenham	1	Plymouth	0
Tranmere	2	Swansea	0
West Ham	0	Bradford	2

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Aldershot	1	Watford	1
Brighton	1	Bournemouth	1
Bristol	2	Walsall	0
Clapton	3	Exeter	3
Crystal P.	3	Bristol C.	2
Mansfield	0	Reading	0
Newport	1	Torquay	0
Port Vale	3	Notts C.	1
Queen's P.R.	0	Ipswich	0
Southend	2	Cardiff	0
Swindon	1	Northampton	0

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

New Brighton	2	Bradford C.	1
Carlisle	1	York	3

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Orders by Lieut. Colonel H. B. Rose, M.C. Commandant, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, Friday, 7th April, 1939.

HOLIDAYS

Corps Headquarters will be closed for the Easter Holidays from Friday, 7th to Monday, 10th April, inclusive.

PARADES

1st Battery

Thursday, 13th April, Pakshawan Manning exercise. Only those detailed will parade. Bus leaves Queen's Pier, Statue Square 5.45 p.m. Dress—overalls, S.D. cap and gun platform shoes, Haversack rations will be provided by Corps H.Q.

Left Section.—Thursday, 13th April, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Miniature Range.

Right Section.—Friday, 14th April, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Arms drill. Dress—overalls, S.D. cap, web belt and frog.

2nd Battery

Wednesday, 12th April, H.Q. Lecture Room, 6.30 p.m. Lecture—Defence against gas.

Engineer Company

D.E.L. Section.—Thursday, 13th April, Pakshawan Manning. Dress—overalls and blue cap. Bus leaves Queen's Pier, Statue Square 5.45 p.m. Haversack rations will be provided by Corps H.Q.

Lyon Light Section.—Sunday, 9th April, Taikoo Range, 1.30 p.m. Rifle Table A. Dress—optional, but musketry order must be worn.

Thursday, 13th April, H.Q. 5.45 p.m. Musketry.

Corps Signals

Tuesday, 11th April, H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Signal training.

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CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

Subject: "Are Sin, Disease, And Death Real?"

SUBJECT—ARE SIN, DISEASE, AND DEATH REAL?

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches to-morrow 8th April will be "Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real?"

The Golden Text will be—"I am the Lord that healeth thee". (Exodus 15: 26).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible:—"Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is. Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou art my praise. In the way of righteousness is life; and in the pathway thereof there is no death. Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness? But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life". (Jer. 17: 7 & 14; Prov. 12: 28; Rom. 6: 16 & 22).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy:—"All reality is in God and His creation, harmonious and eternal. That which He creates is good, and He makes all that is made. Therefore the only reality of sin, sickness, or death is the awful fact that unrealities seem real to human erring belief, until God strips off their disguise. They are not true, because they are not of God. We learn in Christian Science that all inwardly of mortal mind or body, is illusion, possessing neither reality nor identity, though seeming to be real and identical. If Christian Science takes away the popular gods,—sin, sickness, and death,—it is Christ, Truth, who destroys these evils, and so proves their nonentity. He that touches the hem of Christ's robe and masters his mortal beliefs, animality, and hate, rejoices in the proof of healing—in the sweet, and certain sense that God is Love". (pages 178, 347, and 669).

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Chesterfield	3	Rochdale	1
Clapton	2	Wrexham	1
Crystal P.	3	Accrington	1
Eastbourne	3	Gateshead	1
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London	1	Oldham	0
Southport	1	Rotherham	0
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NEXT WEEK'S LAWN TENNIS PROGRAMME

The following is the programme for next week's County Championship and Club Handicap events on the H.K.C.C. courts, giving the number of the court on which the match is being played:

TUESDAY

Open Singles

Tsui Yun-pui v. A. Crawford (4).

Open Doubles

Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau v. T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff (Stand Court); Lim Thian-tet and Stephen Wong v. A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios (8).

Club Championship
H. J. Armstrong v. Lt. J. S. Theobald (7).

Club Handicap Singles
T. J. Price (—1.6) v. W. Wooding (scr.) (1); T. J. Gould (—15) v. L. Goldman (—30) (6).

Handicap Mixed Doubles

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Walkden (+2.6) v. H. J. Scull and Miss G. Scull (+3.6) (2); W. Sander and Miss A. Tylo (—15) v. V. R. Gordon and Mrs. She-wan (—3.6) (8).

WEDNESDAY

Open Singles

I. M. A. Razack v. Lee Wai-tong (8).

Open Doubles

Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui (holders) v. Lim Thian-tet and Stephen Wong or A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios (Stand Court).

Club Handicap Doubles

H. J. Scull and Comdr. H. T. Rust (+2.6) v. T. C. Moraghan and V. R. Gordon (—3.6) (2); H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow (—2.6) v. E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson (—5.6) (4).

Handicap Mixed Doubles

Mr. and Mrs. L. Goldman (—15) v. Lt. J. S. Theobald and Mrs. Churchill (—1.6) (3).

THURSDAY

Open Singles

Tsui Wai-pui (holder) v. H. D. Rum-jahn (Stand Court); S. W. Liang v. Ho Ka-lau (6).

Club Handicap Doubles

J. Thomson and R. G. Bickel (—1.6) v. W. Sander and T. J. Gould (—15) (2); R. K. Valentine and L. M. S. Lloyd (scr.) v. E. A. R. Newton and W. Wooding (+1.6) (3); R. C. Beavan and A. K. Mackenzie (—1.6) v. H. D. Bidwell and A. T. Dow (—2.6) or E. E. Story and J. J. Ferguson (—5.6) (4).



FRIDAY

Open Singles
S. A. Rumjahn v. Lim Thian-te (Stand Court).

Open Doubles

Major F. C. Nottingham and Cap' R. B. Lecky v. Lee Yue-wing and H. Ka-lau or T. A. Pearce and W. A. H. Duff (8).

Club Championship

E. E. Story v. V. R. Gordon (4); J. J. Ferguson v. W. Sander (7).

Club Handicap Singles

H. J. Armstrong (—15) v. T. J. Price (—1.6) or W. Wooding (scr.) (2); A. T. Dow (—2.6) v. J. L. C. Pearce (scr.) (3); H. D. Bidwell (—1.6) v. T. J. Gould (—15) or L. Goldman (—30) (6).

TO-DAY'S TWO HOCKEY MATCHES

C.B.A. Ladies will meet Hong Kong Ladies in a Brown Cup fixture on their home ground at King's Park, to-day commencing at 3 p.m.

At 4.15 p.m., European Y.M.C.A. first eleven will meet the All-India International eleven in a return fixture on the "Y" ground. "Y" won the first game last Tuesday by 3 goals to 2.

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MATCH ABANDONED IN THIRD SET

IN a game featured by the remarkable retrieving powers of Ho Kau-lau and Lee Yue-wing and the consistent overhead work of W. A. H. Duff, the Open Doubles tennis tie played on Thursday on the Stand Court had to be abandoned with scores (the Chinese pair given first) at 15-13, 0-6, 5-all.

That gruelling first set which lasted just an hour was one of the most extraordinary ever seen in the local tournament. The Chinese pair, leading 5-3, appeared to have matters well in hand. Whenever they needed a point they lobbed to Alec Pearce and he, almost without fail, obligingly placed the ball in the net.

However, Pearce, realising his limitations, played the right game from this time onwards — a very unselfish one I might say. It is far from pleasant to be virtually a passenger whilst leaving as much as possible to one's partner. When the opposition are concentrating

on one in no uncertain manner, it becomes even more embarrassing. Pearce, for a period, adopted just those tactics. Duff went for everything overhead and gave one of the finest exhibitions of smashing I have ever been privileged to see. He banged them down from all parts of the court. Lee and Ho were reduced to scuttling desperately up and down the back screen retrieving. They did this with singular success. From the hardest smash, back came a perfect length lob and this went on and on!

MARATHON SET

So did the set. From about the tenth game, all players held their services and not till the set had been in progress an hour and all four were looking heated, was a break-through finally made on Pearce's service and the Chinese pair went out.

The next set proved rather an anti-climax. The British pair playing steadily — Duff at times rising to great heights of brilliance — won it to love. With everything pointing to an easy victory for Duff and Pearce, however, Duff, evidently worried by the failing light, started to make errors overhead and Lee and Ho, persisting in their campaign of lobbing, wiped off a lead of 4-2 and led 5-4 only to be overhauled.

The game was then abandoned and by mutual arrangement will be played over at some future date.

Individually Duff was the dominating figure. He gave a really first-class display in which his crisp volleying, fine overhead and searing forehand drives were outstanding features. Had Pearce been in better form overhead, Duff might have been seen to even better advantage.

PEARCE'S "SMASHING"

Pearce, while obviously lacking in experience, gave an exceedingly promising performance and should, in time, be very good. His deplorable smashing, I attribute to the fact that he never gave himself time to have a good look at the ball before trying to "kill" outright anything in the nature of a lob.

Had he adopted, at the outset, the policy he pursued in the later stages — that of just getting lobs back — I have little doubt that he would have got going with his smashing later on.

In other phases of the game he was good. His volleying, while not being very crisp, was sound and he scored repeatedly with a well-placed forehand drive.

On the other side, Ho Ka-lau showed that he is just as good as he ever was. Fierce driving on the forehand, powerful driving and, of course, his lobbing, all contributed to an excellent performance.

PASSIVE RESISTANCE

Apart from the fact that he was steady at the right times, there is little that can be said about Lee's game. He never rose to any heights of brilliance, his contribution being entirely one of passive resistance.

The replay should be very interesting but I have little doubt in my own mind that Duff and Pearce will win — probably easily.

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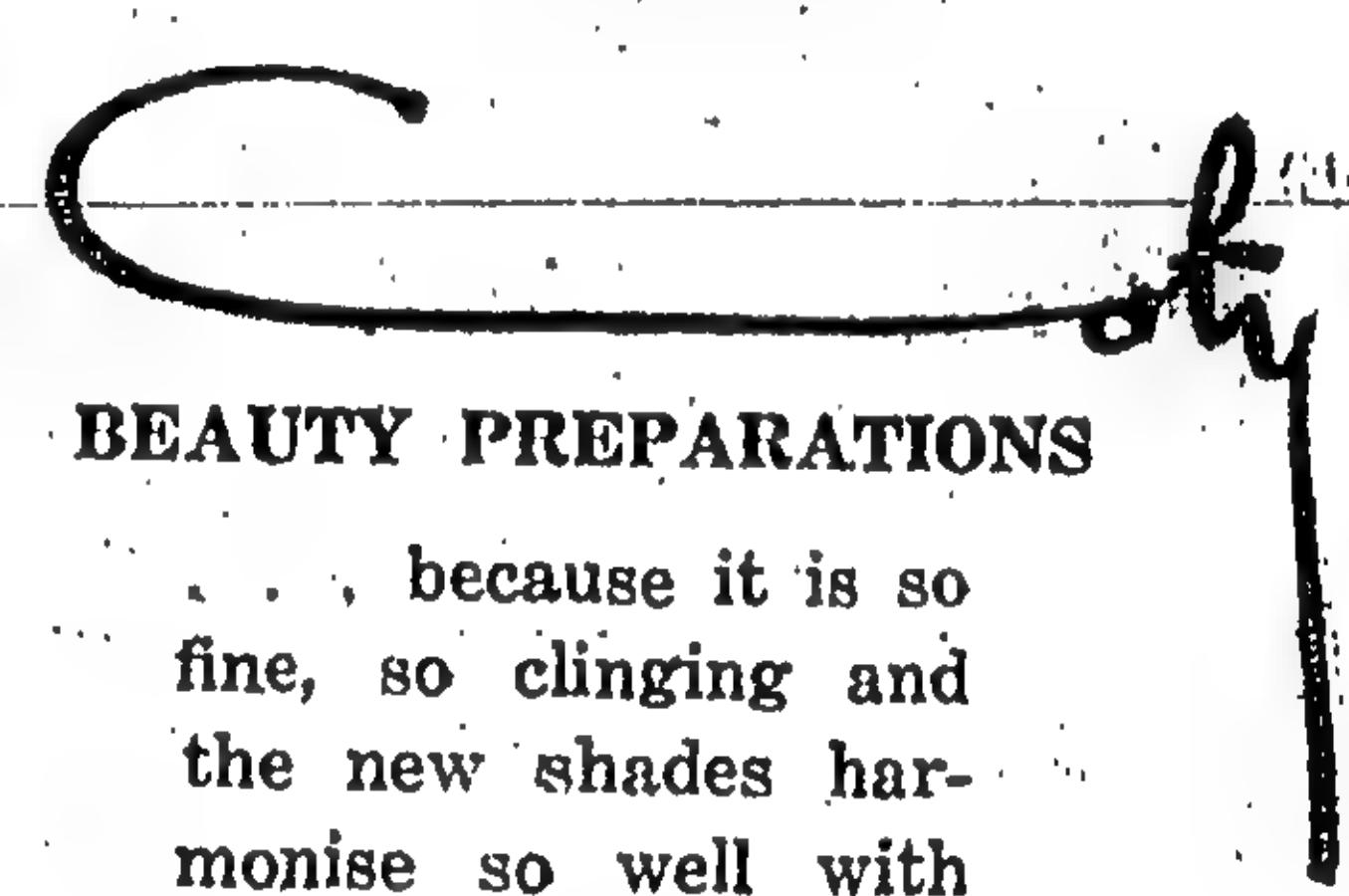
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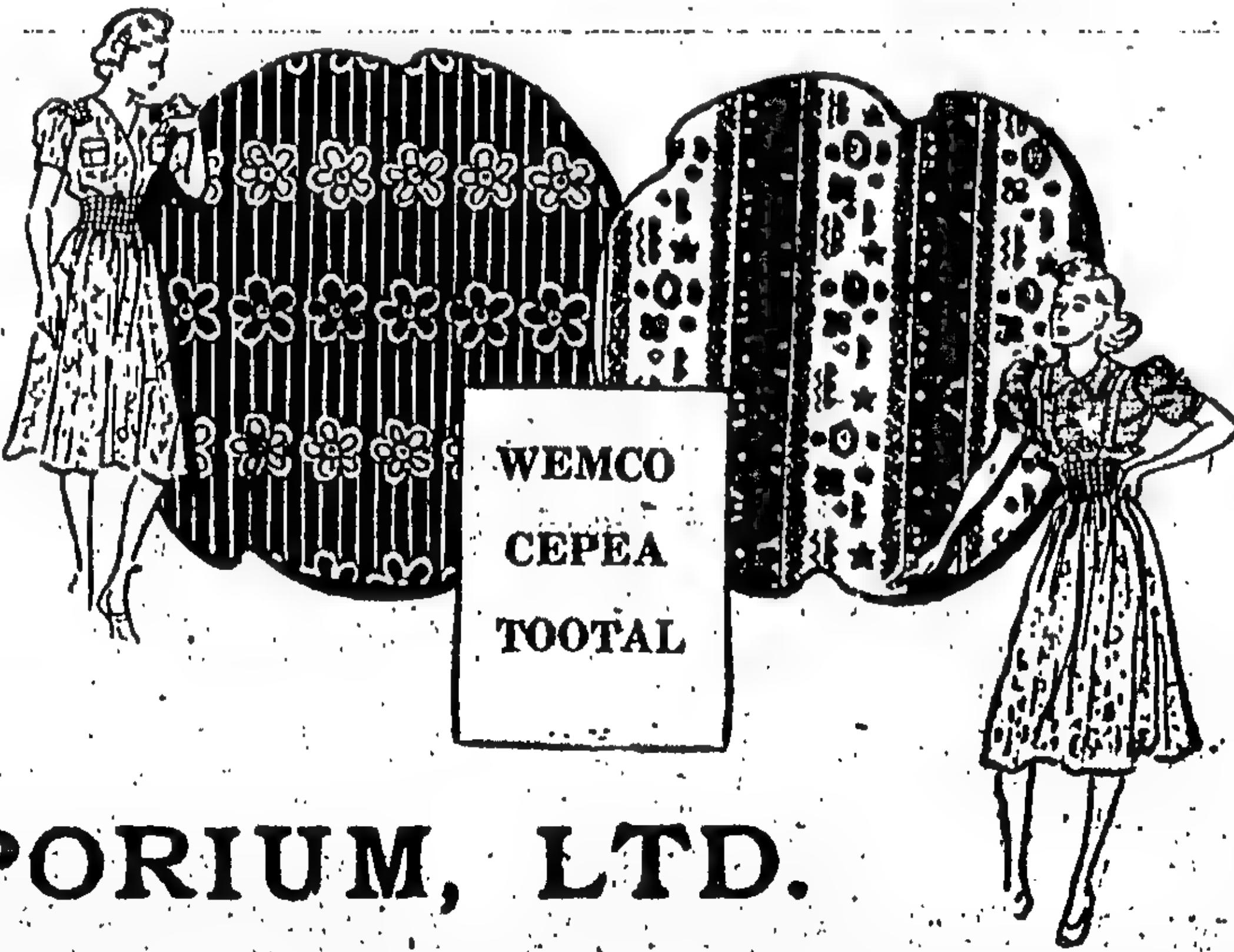
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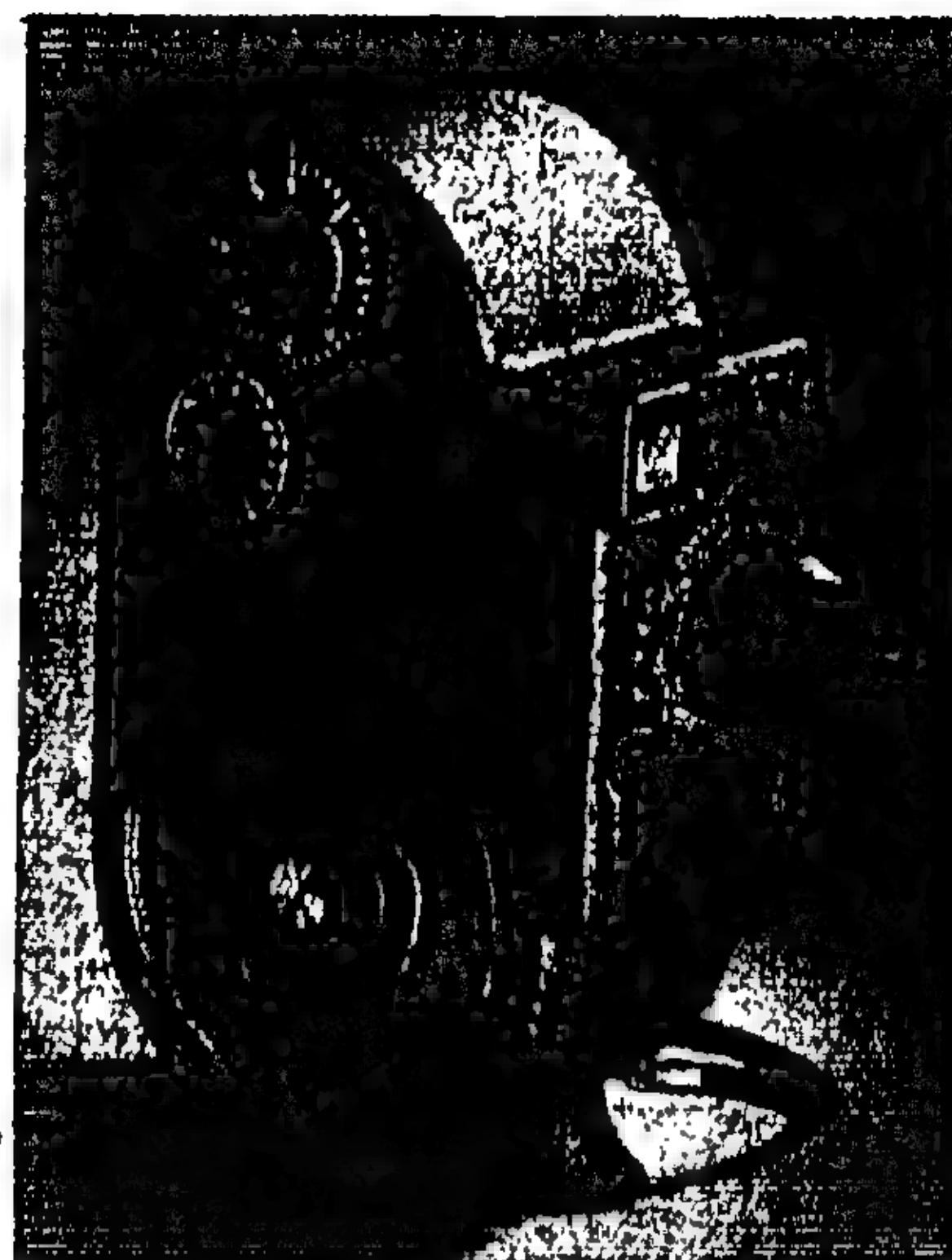
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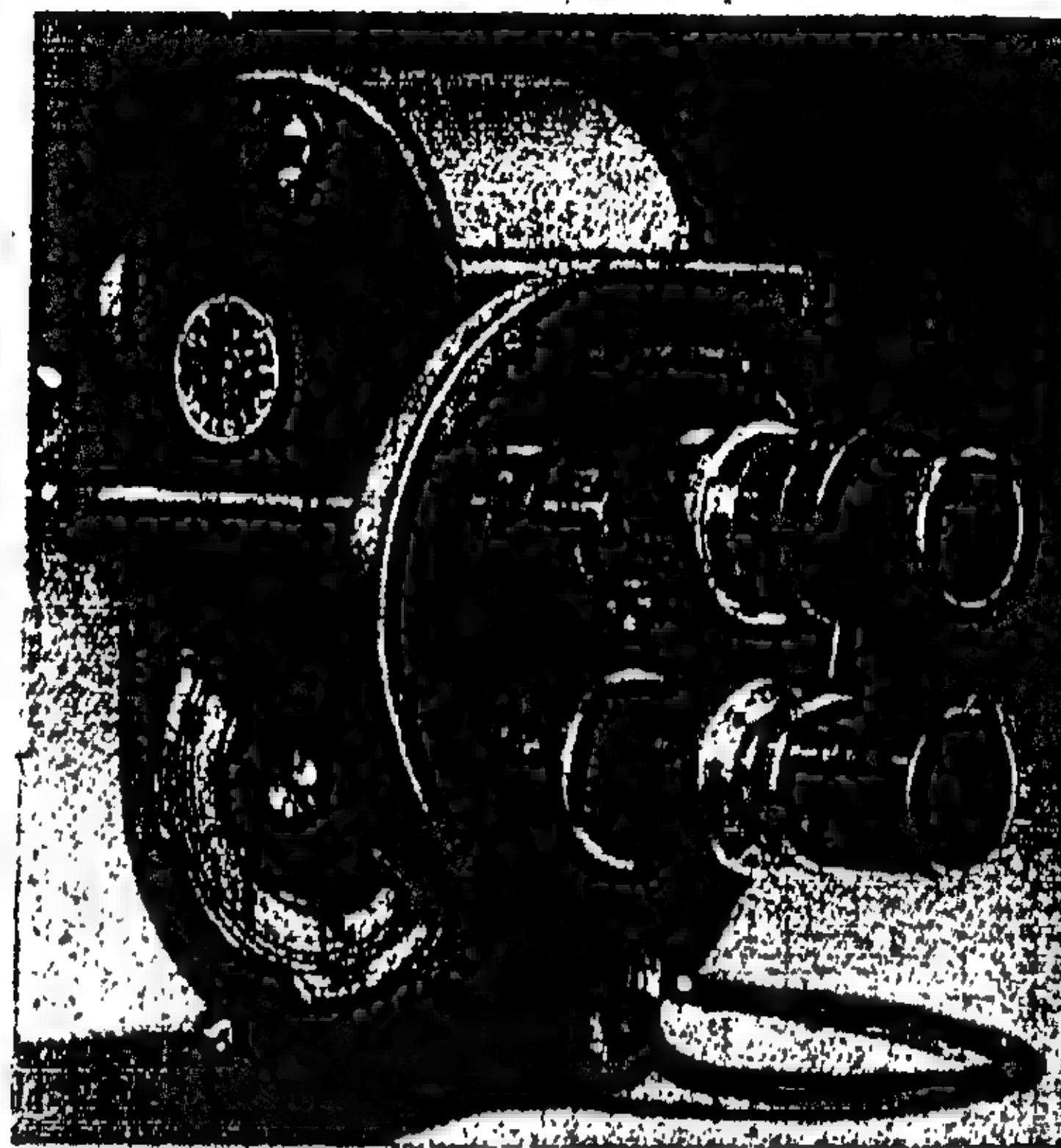
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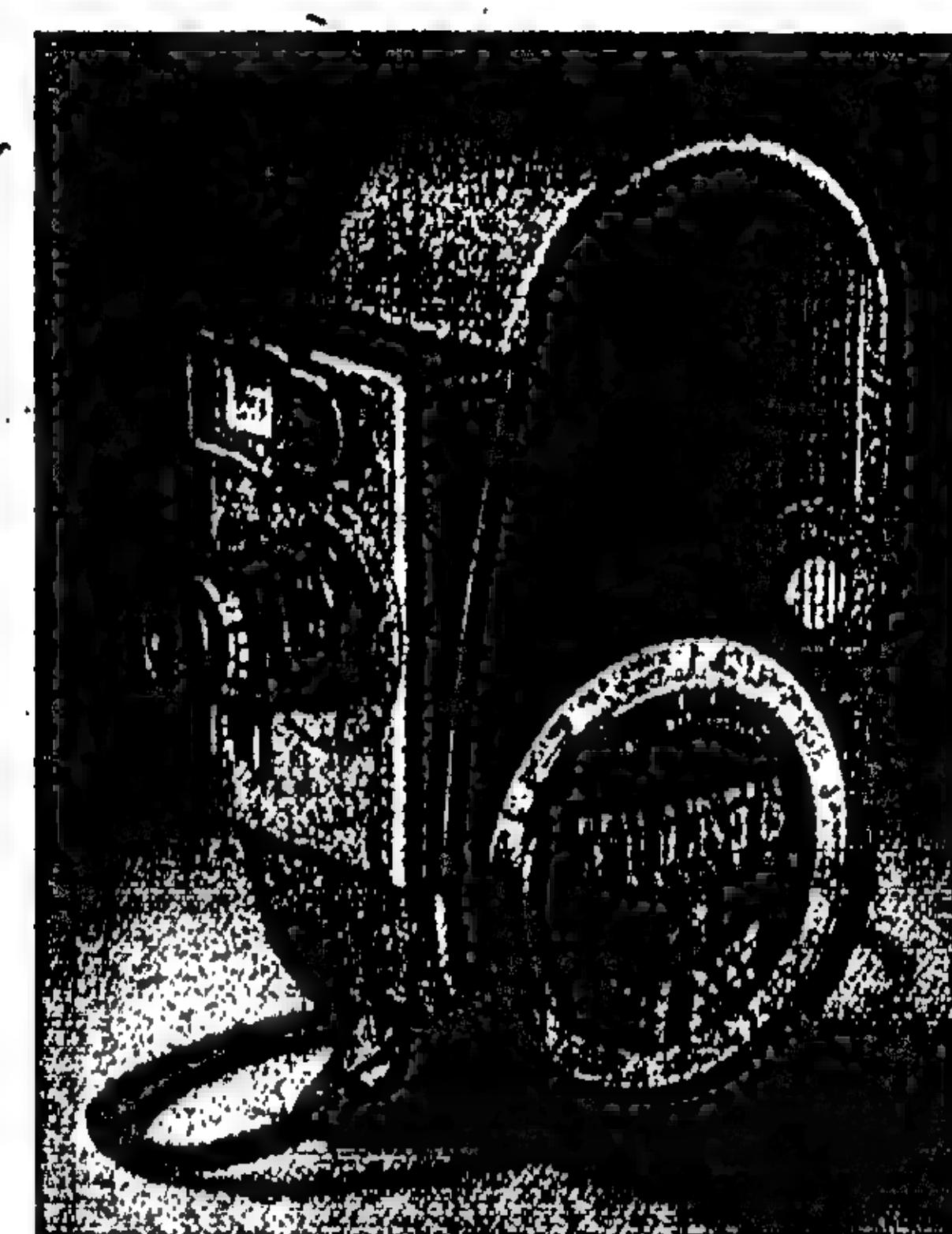
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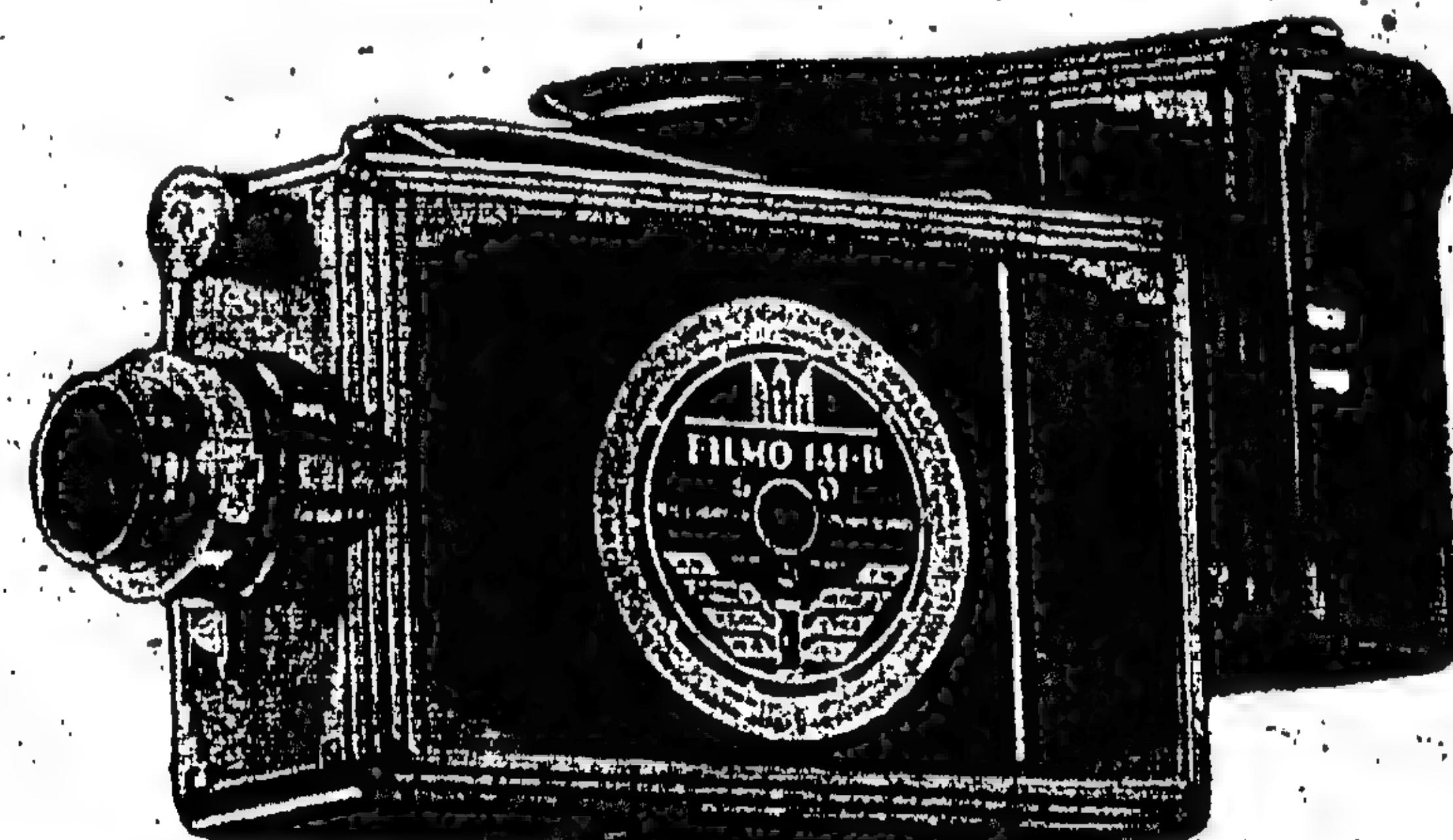
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RACING TIME GUIDE

The following time guide gives all placed ponies, weights, jockeys, won by and time, during the five days of the Annual Race Meeting and the 1st Extra Race Meeting:

CHINA PONIES

- Half Mile
- 0.58.3 (record)—Portrush (Encarnacao, 155); 2, Ring Master (Tao, 158); 3, Kut Ch'ong (Wei, 152). 2 & neck. (A.M. 1).
- 0.58.4—Strathbannock (Gregory, 161); 2, Radium Star (Marshall, 155); 3, King's Envoy (Needa, 158). 2 & $\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 1).
- 0.58.4—Willynilly (Chao, 155); 2, Magog (Needa, 158); 3, Talkative (Tao, 158). 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ & 1. (A.M. 1).
- Half Mile and 170 Yards
- 1.05.0 (record)—Desert Chief (Encarnacao, 161); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Bear Claw (Wei, 161). 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ & 1. (A.M. 1).
- 1.06.2—Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 2, Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 161); 3, Avon (Hearne, 161). 2 & 2. (A.M. 2).
- 1.07.2—Eve of Heaven (Marshall, 161); 2, Galveston Bay (Wei, 161); 3, Peaceful View (Pih, 161). 3 & 2. (A.M. 3).
- 1.09.4—Marksman (Wong, 158); 2, Guinness Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 3, Magog (Needa, 158). 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ & 2. (A.M. 2).
- 1.11.4—Desert Star (S. W. Pan, 155); 2, Dekko (P. Y. T. Wei, 161); 3, Guinness Time (C. Encarnacao, 158). Neck and head. (1st E.).

- Six Furlongs
- 1.28.4 (record)—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Lilliber (Black, 161); 3, Blue Express (Poy, 161). Mane & neck. (A.M. 1).
- 1.26.1—King's Warden (V. V. Needa, 161); 2, Humdrum Eve (H. C. Pih, 161); 3, Oak Bay (B. A. Proulx, 161). 2 and same (1st E.).
- 1.28.0—Blue Express (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Avon (Hearne, 161); 3, Galveston Bay (Wei, 161). 4 & $\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 4).
- 1.28.3—Musketeer (Liang, 152); 2, Marksman (Wong, 158); 3, Oranje Boven (Encarnacao, 158). 2 & 3. (A.M. 1).
- 1.28.4—Avon (G. Treverton, 151); 2, Peaceful View (K. I. Ip, 161); 3, Jennifer (R. M. Wood, 161). Neck and 2 (1st E.).
- 1.30.4—King Kong (Liang, 161); 2, Bressay (Hearne, 161); 3, Guinness Time (Pote-Hunt, 158). Head & same. (A.M. 4). 7 Furlongs 45 Yards
- 1.45.2—Red Feather (Wei, 161); 2, Moonlight View (Pih, 161); 3, Humdrum Eve (T. L. Wong 161). 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ & short head. (A.M. 4).
- One Mile
- 1.55.1—Desert Chief (Encarnacao, 161); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Bear Claw (Black, 161). 3 & 2. (A.M. 2).
- 1.57.1—Hyndford Bridge (Needa, 158); 2, Jennifer (Black, 161); 3, Galaxy (Chao, 158). 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ &

- $\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 2).
- 1.57.2—New Star (Marshall, 155); 2, Moonlight View (Pih, 144); 3, Humdrum Eve (T. L. Wong, 165). Short head, same. (A.M. 3).
- 1.58.3—Lilliber (D. Black, 166); 2, Peaceful View (H. C. Pih, 158); English Cavalier (C. Encarnacao, 154). 3 and 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 5).
- 2.01.1—Tampa Bay (Black, 168); 2, Scenic View (Pih, 147); 3, King's Lead (Needa, 142). Short head & short head. (A.M. 1).
- 2.01.2—King Kong (B. L. Tao, 155); 2, Strathbannock (D. Black, 154); 3, Musketeer (P. Y. T. Wei, 168). 2 and 4 (1st E.).
- 2.01.4—Rose Evelyn (Encarnacao, 165); 2, Bistre (Chanson, 160); 3, Salvage-Master (Tao, 165). 4 & 2. (A.M. 2).
- 2.01.4—Galaxy (Chao, 158); 2, Blue Diamond (Woo, 158); 3, Forgotten Star (Pan, 161). Neck & 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 3).
- 2.04.0—Chatterbox (C. Encarnacao, 155); 2, February Fourth (T. L. Wong, 155); 3, Matador (S. C. Liang, 161). 2 and 2 (A.M. 5).
- 2.04.2—Oranje Boven (Encarnacao, 158); 2, Mileaye (Needa, 155); 3, Phoenix (Li, 155). 4 & neck. (A.M. 4).
- 2.04.4—This Time (Pote-Hunt, 158); 2, Tiny Tim (Proulx, 152); 3, Wild Bear (Pih, 152). 2 & 1 (A.M. 3).

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AUSTRALIAN PONIES

- Six Furlongs
- 1.18.8—Vixen Tor (Proulx, 152); 2, Criffel (Needa, 155); 3, Strathcarrick (Gregory, 145). 3 & head. (A.M. 3).
- 1.19.1—Cockleroi (Needa, 152); 2, Devonian (Hearne, 155); 3, Triumphant Day (Tao, 156). Neck & 2. (A.M. 1).
- 1.22.0—Victory Day (Tao, 150); 2, Rivulet (Pih, 152); 3, Rising Star (Marshall, 152). Short head & 2. (A.M. 1). Half Mile 170 Yards
- 1.01.3—Bredon (B. A. Proulx, 155); 2, A Great Time (V. V. Needa, 152); 3, Strathcarrick (C. L. Gregory, 152). 3 and 2. (A.M. 5).
- 1.03.0—Sydney Lad (Proulx, 155); 2, Victory Day (Tao, 152); 3, Rising Star (Marshall, 152). $\frac{1}{2}$ & 2. (A.M. 3). One Mile
- 1.46.3—Blandford (Poy, 147); 2, Snowy River (Hearne, 148); 3, Vixen Tor (Proulx, 149). Neck & $\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 1).
- 1.47.2—King's Privilege (V. V. Needa, 146); 2, Criffel (B. A. Proulx, 155); 3, A Great Time (T. Y. Woo, 150). $\frac{1}{2}$ and short head. (1st E.).
- 1.49.2—Rivulet (Pih, 152); 2, Laffat That (Happy Landings) (David, 152); 3, Devonian (Hearne, 155). 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ & 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. (A.M. 2).
- 1.49.3—Chiltern (C. Encarnacao, 155); 2, Devonian (D. Black, 155); 3, National Victory (S. W. Tang, 152). 1 and 2 (1st E.).

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- 2.05.2—Sylvandale (A. D. Coppin, 165); 2, Flybynight (Ho Hong-ping, 147); 3, Ebony Idol (Trevetion, 140). Neck & neck (A.M. 4).
 2.06.0—Starlet (P. L. Chiu, 158); 2, Sports Venture (C. Encarnacao, 168); 3, Wilber (D. Black, 162) ½ and 2. (A.M. 5).
 2.06.1—Marksman (T. L. Wong, 165); 2, Portrush (Encarnacao, 162); 3, Chatterbox (Tao, 156). 5 & neck. (A.M. 3).
 2.09.3—Silver Star (B. L. Tao, 156); 2, Smiling Time (C. Encarnacao, 155); 3, Pall Mall (S. L. Yuen, 158). Neck and head. (1st E.). 1 Mile 171 Yards.
 1.59.4—Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158); 2, Lilliber (Black, 161); 3, Peaceful View (Pih, 161). 3 & 1. (A.M. 4).
 2.00.3—Honeymoon Eve (T. L. Wong, 161); 2, Just In Time (Pote-Hunt, 161). 4. (A.M. 4).
 2.05.2—Bistre (Chanson, 155); 2, Dekko (Hearne, 155); 3, Desert Star (Needa, 150). 2. & 1. (A.M. 4).
 2.07.4—Rob Roy (C. Encarnacao, 152); 2, King's Warden (V. V. Needa, 168); 3, Oak Bay (B. A. Proulx, 144). 1½ and 2½. (A.M. 5).
 2.13.0—Celtic Star (Wong, 158); 2,

- Musketeer (Liang, 152); 3, Cyclone (Chao, 161). Short Head & 2. (A.M. 2).
 2.18.0—Just In Time (C. Encarnacao, 168); 2, Boolat Bay (H. J. A. Hearne, 168); 3, King's Leao (V. V. Needa, 144). ½ and 2. (A.M. 5).
 2.15.0—Rose Jane (C. Encarnacao, 150); 2, Tampa Bay (D. Black, 168); 3, Scenic View (H. C. Pih, 146). Short head and 2. (A.M. 5).
 2.17.2—Salvage Master (Tao, 165); 2, Double Chance (Needa, 168); 3, Dekko (Hearne, 156). 2 & same. (A.M. 3). 1¼ Miles.
 2.24.0—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Desert Chief (Poy, 161); 3, King's Warden (Marshall, 161). 2 & 6. (A.M. 4).
 2.20.1—Navylight (Pih, 161); 2, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158); 3, Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 158), many & 3. (A.M. 1).
 2.28.0—Wild Life (Wei, 145); 2, Rob Roy (Encarnacao, 152); 3, New Star (Marshall, 152). ½ & 1. (A.M. 2).
 2.28.2—Rose Elect (C. Encarnacao, 168); 2, Moonlight View (H. C. Pih, 149); 3, Red Feather (D. Black, 140). 5 and 3. (1st E.).
 2.30.2—Hyndford Bridge (Needa, 163); 2, Conquering Time (Pote-Hunt, 163). ½ length. (A.M. 3).

- 2.32.3—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 163); 2, King's Warden (Needa, 161); 3, Wild Life (Black, 163). 6 & 3. (A.M. 3).
 2.33.3—Marksman (V. V. Needa, 158); 2, Celtic Star (T. L. Wong, 158); 3, Oranje Boven (C. Encarnacao, 158). 2½ and 1¾. (A.M. 5).
 2.34.3—Rose Jane (C. Encarnacao, 152); 2, Tampa Bay (D. Black, 161); 3, Scenic View (H. C. Pih, 140). 1¾ and 1. (1st E.). 1½ Miles.
 2.38.4—Celtic Star (T. L. Wong, 158); 2, Oranje Boven (Encarnacao, 158); 3, National Honour (Chanson, 158). 2 & many. (A.M. 3). 1½ Miles.
 2.55.4 (record)—Rose Elect (Encarnacao, 161); 2, Navylight (Pih, 161); 3, Eve of Harvest (Marshall, 158). Many & many. (A.M. 2).
 3.04.1—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 161); 2, Moonlight View (Wong, 161); 3, Red Feather (Wei, 161). 3 & 3. (A.M. 1).
 3.26.0—Celtic Star (Marshall, 158) and Marksman (T. L. Wong, 158) dead-heated for first; 3, February Fourth (Liang, 155). Dead heat & 4. (A.M. 4). 1¾ Miles.

- 3.40.3—Silkylight (Pote-Hunt, 161); 2, Red Feather (Wei, 161). Many 2 starters only. (A.M. 2).

AUSTRALIAN PONIES

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- 1.50.1—Candlelight (Pote-Hunt, 152); 2, Triumphant Day (Tao, 155); 3, King's Herald (Needa, 152). Many & 3. (A.M. 2). 1 Mile 171 Yards.
 1.57.2—Lancashire Chips (Black, 152); 2, Able Amazon (Marshall, 155); 3, Snow River (Hearne, 149). 2 and neck. (A.M. 4). 1½ Miles.
 2.14.3—Lucky Lad (Needa, 154); 2, Lancashire Chips (Black, 154); 3, Able Amazon (S. W. Pan, 154). Neck & 3. (A.M. 2).
 2.15.3—Lucky Lad (V. V. Needa, 152); 2, Snowy River (P. Y. T. Wei, 149); 3, Lancashire Chips (D. Black, 152). neck and 1¾. (A.M. 5).
 2.20.0—Happy Landings (Davis, 152); 2, Devonian (Hearne, 155); 3, National Victory (Chanson, 152). 2 & 4. (A.M. 4). 1½ Miles.
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12.30 p.m.—Songs by Charles Kullman (Tenor).
Thine Alone (Blossom & Herbert); When You're Away (Blossom & Herbert); Gypsy Love Song (Smith & Herbert)...with Orchestra.
12.40 p.m.—Boston Promenade Orchestra.
"Aida"—Ballet Suite (Verdi); Hungarian Dance No. 5 (Brahms); Hungarian Dance No. 6 (Brahms); Waltz (from "The Sleeping Beauty" Ballet, Op. 66a—Tchaikovsky)... cond. by Arthur Fiedler.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) and Nelson Eddy (Baritone). Love's Old Sweet Song (Bircham Molloy); Auf Wiedersehen (from "The Blue Paradise")... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.
To-night Will Teach Me To Forget (film "The Merry Widow"); Try To Forget (film "The Cat and the Fiddle")... Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) with Orchestra.
Dream Of Autumn (Joyce); Choristers' Waltz (Phelps)... London Novelty Orchestra.
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Humorous Sketch—The Kids And The Char (Tarri & Hemsley); Part 1. Out Shopping; Part 2. Doin' a Bit of Busking... Suzette Tarri and Harry Hemsley.
Dance Orch.—Tango Medley... Mantovani & His Tipica Orchestra.
Vocal—Holtz Myer And Cohen (Son-nin-Davis); I Must See Annie Tonight (Friend-Franklin)... Max Bacon with Orchestra.
Dance Orch.—Wabash Blues—Quick-step; Sweet Georgia Brown—Fox-Trot... Hurry Roy's Tiger-Ragamuffins.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Dance Music by Benny Goodman's and Roy Fox's Orchestras.
Fox-Trots—Can't We Be Friends; Peckin'... Benny Goodman & His Orchestra.
Waltz—Sympathy (film "Firefly"); Fox-Trots—It's The Natural Thing To Do (film "Double or Nothing"); The Moon Got In My Eyes (film "Double or Nothing")... Roy Fox & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Why Couldn't It Be Poor Little Me; Love Me, Or Leave Me... Benny Goodman & His Orch.
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Fox-Trot—Roll Em... Benny Goodman & His Orchestra.
Fox-Trots—Always and Always (film "Mannquin"); Sweet Someone (film "Love and Happiness"); Little Old Lady; In The Mission by the Sea... Roy Fox & His Orchestra.

8.45 p.m.—London Relay—"Lucky Dip" Eleventh Edition. Presented by William MacLurg with "Listeners Corner" edited by Adrian Thomas—Songs, anecdotes, and verses contributed by listeners and "Enter Sexton Blake" written for broadcasting by Ernest Dudley on a synopsis by Berkeley Gray with George Curzon as Sexton Blake and Brian Lawrence as Tinker—Episode 11: "The Iron Boat". Music by Rae Jenkins' Lucky Dip Orchestra under the direction of Jack Clarke.

7.30 p.m.—Renara, Leslie Hutchinson and Jay Wilbur & His Band. So Many Memories (Woods); With Mary Tattooed On His Arm (Erard, Trafford, Ives)... Jay Wilbur & His Band with Vocal Chorus. There's Something About An Old Love (Mills-Flen-Hudson); They Say (Heyman-Mann-Weiss)... Leslie Hutchinson (Vocal) at the Piano.

Gershwin Medley... Renara (Piano) I Love To Whistle—Fox-Trot (from "Mad about Music"); So Long, Sweetheart—Fox-Trot... Jay Wilbur & His Band with Vocal Chorus.

Sweet Adeline" Piano Medley... Renara (Piano).

8 p.m.—Local Time-Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Quentin M. MacLean at the Organ.

Bubbling (MacLean).

China Doll Parade (Zamecnik).

Happy Days—Selection.

8.15 p.m.—London Relay—Theatreland. Theatreland in London is one of continual change and in this programme William Mallison will tell you all about the new productions, both on the legitimate and musical stage. You will also hear some of the num-

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Waltz: Spring Song; Invitation to the Waltz; Hungarian Dance No. 6.

8.53 p.m.—Local Sports Results.

8.55 p.m.—London Relay—The Adventures of Alonzo McTavish—No. 4: Carnival for Crooks. Specially written for broadcasting by Peter Cheyney. Characters: Alonzo McTavish; Dubosc, Hall Porter at the Maison Mariner; Mademoiselle Fleurette Vionnet; An Embassy Servant; The Leronian Ambassador; Lieutenant Francois Dulac, Naval Attaché to the Leronian Embassy. Production by Val Gielgud.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—London Log.

9.45 p.m.—London Relay—Sports News.

9.50 p.m.—Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.

(a) Flammata; (b) Silento; (c) Quieremo Mucho; (d) Chavallio.

10.05 p.m.—Interval of record music from Z.B.W.

10.10 p.m.—(a) I'll dream to-night; (b) I'll never let you Cry; (c) It's easier said than done; (d) Lullaby in Rhythm.

10.25 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

10.35 p.m.—(a) Loch Lomond; (b) Avalon; (c) There's a far away look in your eyes; (d) I found my yellow Basket.

10.50 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

11 p.m.—(a) Artist's Life; (b) Sylva; (c) Coco; (d) Celito Dindo.

11.15 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

11.20 p.m.—(a) Blues in "E" Flat; (b) Before we say Goodbye; (c) Basin Street Blues; (d) Rhythm Mad.

11.35 p.m.—Interval of recorded music from Z.B.W.

11.45 p.m.—(a) Cowboy from Brooklyn; (b) Oh! Ma-Ma; (c) I'll see you in my dreams; (d) Good-night Ladies.

12 Midnight.—Close down.

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♦ 2
♣ A 10 8 6 2

♦ K 8
♥ A 9 8 7 6
♦ 7 6 4 3
♦ 6 5 4 3

♣ K 7 6 5 4 3
♦ K 7 6 5 4 3

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South West North East
Pass Pass 1♥ 1♦
20 Pass 2♥ Pass
2NT Pass 3NT Pass
Pass Dbl. Pass Pass

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♥ A 4 3
♦ A J 10 8 6
♦ Q 6 5

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Question No. 68.

David Bruce Burnstone is your partner, both sides are vulnerable and you hold:

♦ A Q 7 6 5 4 3 2
♥ A 2
♦ A X X

The bidding:
You Jacoby Burnstone Mauer
1♦ Pass 1♥ Pass
1♦ Pass 3♦ Pass
(?)

WHAT DO YOU BID? (Answer tomorrow.)



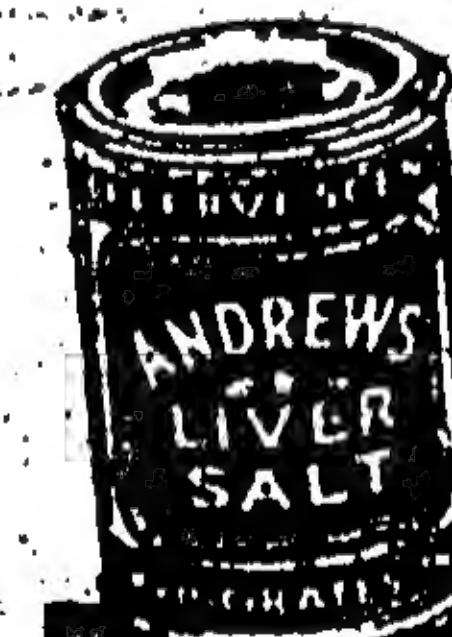
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ITALIANS SWOOP DOWN ON ALBANIA

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into the sea twice by Albanian forces.

STREET FIGHTING

Meanwhile the shelling of Durazzo continued, while street fighting occurred between Italian troops and Albanian gendarmes, soldiers and volunteers in Valona following the landing there.

Three Italian divisions, numbering some 35,000 men, are believed to be participating in the actual fighting. Albania has a standing army of about 12,000 men, and is hardly in a position to resist for long, though 26,000 troops have been mobilised.

The semi-official Rome agency reporting the landing at Valona Durazzo, San Giovanni and Dimentun, says: "There was no reaction worthy of special mention."

ORDERS TO PLANES

In Rome it is announced that the march into the interior has begun. Four hundred planes are participating in the invasion. The airmen have been ordered not to attack inhabited centres and to spare the population.

Throughout the day Italian bomber squadrons flew over Albanian territory dropping pamphlets announcing the disembarkation of troops and warning the population not to resist under the threat of "atrocious military measures."

The pamphlets called on the people to surrender to the Italian King-Emperor.

HEAVY FIGHTING

Heavy fighting is taking place in the town of Asingini, where "blood is flowing in streams."

Reuter's correspondent at Tirana

says that the first landings between 5.30 and 6 a.m. were repelled after fierce fighting. Reuter states that the morale of the Albanian troops and civil population was reported to be excellent.

ITALIAN ULTIMATUM DEFINITELY REJECTED

London, To-day. Some confusion at first existed as to whether Albania and Italy had patched up their quarrel diplomatically.

A report from Tirana stated that Italy had accepted the Albanian counter-proposals, and that an Albanian delegation had gone to Durazzo to arrange the cessation of hostilities.

However, following an Albanian Cabinet meeting in the Royal Palace, the Chamber and Government unanimously rejected the Italian ultimatum.

King Zog, the Government and the Diplomatic Corps are all in Tirana. The Italian Minister and the staff of his Legation are also in Tirana, and it was supposed that negotiations between the two Governments had not been broken off.

UNITE AND FIGHT

Meanwhile the Tirana short wave station is continually broadcasting in five languages. It appeals to Albanians to unite and fight to the last drop of blood.

In Rome it is said that a mission of plenipotentiaries sent by King Zog conferred with General Guzzetti and submitted proposals from King Zog. These have been transmitted to Rome. — Reuter.

London, To-day. A communiqué issued by the Ita-

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While there is anxiety, it appears improbable that any steps will be taken at this particular juncture.

It is pointed out that juridically Italy is granted the right by France and Britain to form a protectorate over Albania, and no vital interests are involved in the present move.

Although the fact that the Italian occupation of Albania would turn the Adriatic into a purely Italian lake, and is technically a breach of understanding, it is also pointed out that this is capable of turning against the interests of Germany herself were any attempt to be made on Trieste.

Anxiety is felt, however, whether the Albanian move is not the beginning of an Axis plan for a combined drive into the Eastern Mediterranean and beyond.

If so, the situation is regarded as extremely serious, although tempered by Colonel Beck's successful visit to London.

If it is only a gesture on the part of Mussolini for the sake of prestige, it is considered that the Western Powers must wait and see whether Hitler and Mussolini have been impressed by the Anglo-French co-operation or are determined to go headlong forward in pursuit of their purpose. — Reuter.

According to latest reports the Italian attack on Tirana has been at least temporarily brought to a standstill.

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